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## 3,886 voted straight Republican ticket in Jefferson County

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
Jefferson County went Republican all the way as GOP candidates carried all county, state and national offices that were on Tuesday’s ballot. It was a trend also carried out statewide. The Jefferson County results were boosted by straight party voting in which 3,886 voted straight Republican and 1,170 voted straight Democrat. “We’ve had a very good night for the Republican party and up-ticket for the state and nation-

ally,” said Jefferson County Republican chair Pam Crozier. For President of the United States, Donald Trump had 9,614 votes in Jefferson County for 66.97% to defeat Democrat Kamala Harris with 4,442 votes for 30.94%, We the People Party’s Robert F. Kennedy Jr. with 183 votes for 1.27% and Libertarian Chase Oliver with 86 votes for 0.21%. Statewide, Trump got 1,624,963 votes (58.7%) while Harris had 1,093,620 votes (39.5%), Kennedy had 27,938

votes (1%) and Oliver had 19,465 votes (0.7%). Jim Banks won the U.S. Senate race in Jefferson County with 8,943 votes (66.21%) over Democrat Valerie McCray with 4,197 votes (31.07%) and Libertarian Andrew Horning with 367 votes (2.72%). Statewide, Banks had 1,545,577 votes (58.6%), McCray had 1,022,238 votes (38.8%) and Horning had 69,129 votes (2.6%). Mike Braun won as Indiana Governor in the county with

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Kevin Kellams (left) celebrates Pam Crozier with a bottle of Trump rosé at the Republican Party victory celebration Tuesday night at the Eagle Cotton Mill in downtown Madison.

Bob Demaree

## Trump reclaims White House appealing to frustrated voters

**BY ZEKE MILLER, MICHELLE L. PRICE, WILL WEISSERT AND JILL COLVIN**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS  
WASHINGTON — Donald Trump was elected the 47th president of the United States on Wednesday, an extraordinary comeback for a former president who refused to accept defeat four years ago, sparked a violent insurrection at the U.S. Capitol, was convicted of felony charges and survived two assassination attempts. With a win in Wisconsin, Trump cleared the 270 electoral votes needed to clinch the presidency. The victory validates his bare-knuckle approach to politics. He attacked his Democratic rival, Kamala Harris, in deeply personal — often misogynistic and racist — terms as he pushed an apocalyptic picture of a country overrun by violent migrants. The coarse rhetoric, paired with an image of hypermasculinity, resonated with angry voters — particularly men — in a deeply polarized nation. “I want to thank the American people for the extraordinary honor of being elected your 47th president and your 45th president,” Trump told throngs of cheering



AP Photo/Evan Vucci

Republican presidential nominee former President Donald Trump smiles at an election night watch party at the Palm Beach Convention Center in West Palm Beach, Fla.

supporters in Florida even before his victory was confirmed. In state after state, Trump outperformed what he did in the 2020 election while Harris failed to do as well as Joe Biden did in winning the presidency four years ago. Upon taking office again, Trump also will work with a Senate that will now be in Republican hands,

while control of the House hadn’t been determined. “We’ve been through so much together, and today you showed up in record numbers to deliver a victory,” Trump said. “This was something special and we’re going to pay you back,” he said.

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## Stephens elected as first GOP County recorder in almost 50 years

**BY BOB DEMAREE**  
The last county-wide Democratic office in Jefferson County fell to the Republicans as the GOP swept Tuesday’s election locally. Republican Amy Storm Stephens (8,904 votes for 66.86%) was elected as the new County Recorder over Democrat Jenny Beverly (4,414 votes for 33.14%) in the only contested county-wide race. “Now, we are all Republican within the Jefferson County Courthouse,” said Stephens. Stephens will replace Democrat Molly O’Connor who is finishing her second term as County Recorder, ending a string of Democrat County Recorders that goes back to 1976 when Markt Lance Lytle won the first of his two terms. Molly O’Connor’s mother, Mary Frances O’Connor, served four terms as County Recorder (1984-1992 and 2000-2008) while Betty Branner held the office from 1992-2000 and Leigh Koehler served in the office from 2008-2016. The last Republican to serve as County Recorder in Jefferson



Amy Storm Stephens

County was Jean Gray who was in the office from 1968-1976. While the office will be switching parties, Stephens said she has a good working relationship with Molly O’Connor, having interacted with the County Recorder’s office in her role as a deputy in the County Auditor’s office during the transfer of deeds. “We worked hand in hand, so we already knew how to work together,” she said. Stephens said she has already begun working in the County Recorder’s office, effective Nov. 1, after being hired by O’Connor for the last two months of her term. “She’s a Democrat but she had faith in me,” said Stephens, noting she is pleased to have the opportunity to gain knowledge from O’Connor’s many years experience while O’Connor serves out her final term before retirement. “It’s big shoes to fill.” But Stephens said she also looks forward to what she can accomplish in the County Recorder’s office such as obtaining software that will allow for title searches

without having to come to the Courthouse. “We have a lot people that travel to come there that could be doing it from other computers. The office is really small so a lot of times we have people at our desks doing searches,” she said, noting that online access outside the office would be beneficial. Stephens said in addition to O’Connor’s expertise in the office, deputy Andrew James also has a vast knowledge about the functions of the recorder, and he will remain on the staff. “He knows a lot, and he’s great to work with,” she said. Jefferson County Republican chair Pam Crozier praised Stephens for her campaign against Beverly, who had past experience in the Courthouse and served previously as Deputy Recorder, Deputy Auditor and manager of the platform. “Amy did all the things to run a good race. She got out there and did door-to-door campaign,” said Crozier. “And she’s been working with Molly” to better learn the Recorder’s office. She’s prepared and ready to go, and I’m glad she was able to win that office.”

### CHARLIE’S BEAT

## James is thriving on Mulberry Street

Regular readers of this column know it is most often about our local music scene, but sometimes about our wider community and the people who contribute to our lovely quality of life here in Madison. But today is a kind of hybrid, a little bit of each you might say. Our subject is Shaianne James, owner of the Neon Moon clothing boutique on Mulberry Street. She’s also the daughter of Kerry Mefford, one of the most prolific and in-demand drummers in Indiana’s Music City. “I grew up going to all the Young Country shows as a kid,” relates Shianne. “Dad was the drummer in that band for many years. There was a whole group

of us kids with dads in the band and we used to hang around backstage. We called ourselves the ‘Young Country Kids!’ “I was a Carroll County girl growing up, so my favorite of all the shows was the annual summer fair in Warsaw. So many great memories from those days, running with my friends. I grew up a die-hard country music fan, of course. In fact, the name of my store, Neon Moon, is from a Brooks and Dunn song. “Young Country fans will know the band lost a member several years ago, when Ronnie Dunlap died. So I decided to do a little thing in my store where I sell the band’s CDs to benefit



CHARLIE ROHLFLING  
CHARLIE’S BEAT



Shaianne James

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## Veterans Day Schedule

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**  
Madison Consolidated High School’s Veterans Day program and breakfast will be Monday with breakfast from 7 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. in the auxiliary gym, and the program beginning at 8:30 a.m. at Connor K. Salm Gymnasium. The community is invited. There will be a Veterans Day Celebration at 4 p.m. Sunday at Frank Baldwin Hunter Hall, 400 West Vaughn Drive, Madison (upstairs at the Crystal Beach pool house), with meal, music and fellowship. Southwestern Elementary School will have a Veterans Day program Monday, Nov. 11, 9:30 a.m. at the elementary gymnasium, 273 South Main Cross Street,

Hanover. Prior to the assembly, veterans are welcome to enjoy a light breakfast in the Southwestern board room at 8:30 a.m. Shawe Memorial High School and Pope John Elementary School are having a program to honor veterans on Monday. There will be a veterans breakfast from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., in the Pope John cafeteria where the elementary students will sing at 9:10 a.m. Shawe’s Band of Gold will perform in front of Pope John at 9:20 a.m. All area veterans and their families are invited. All veterans and active-duty military personnel, and those in their vehicles, will be admitted

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Frankie Stewart  
Darren Sutherland  
Roger Williams

Alice Wilson  
Howard Young



# 5 arrested in Carrollton after child found locked in cage

Family services removes 2 children from home

BY TAYLOR WILLIAMS  
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Local police investigating a tip that a small child was being held locked in a cage, recovered an unclothed child at the residence and arrested five adults on charges of criminal abuse and wanton



Codey Johnson



Brenda Chilton



Shelby Turocy



William Mahoney



Tammy Simmons

endangerment on Monday. Carrollton Police Department Det. Dave Roberts was responding to the previously received tip “from the community” when he arrived at 706 7th Street in Carrollton to investigate that claim and

discovered the youth being held in a homemade enclosure inside the home. Roberts arrived at the scene on Monday afternoon with Sgt. Darrius Taylor and both officers “located a male child,

unclothed and under the age of 3 that was locked behind a wooden and metal enclosure that was secured with a padlock.” With assistance by Police Chief Mike Willhoite, Assistant Chief Keith Dews, and Sgt. James Dews, the officers “secured the scene and executed a search warrant

on the property.” During their investigation, “two children were removed from the home by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.” Five Carroll County adults were also at the home and were arrested and lodged in the Carroll County Regional Detention Center. Four of the five adults were charged with Criminal Abuse 1st Degree and Wanton Endangerment 1st Degree including Brenda Chilton, 71; William

Mahoney, 72; Tammy Simmons, 52; and Codey Johnson, 29, all of Carrollton. According to police, Johnson is the father of the children. Shelby Turocy, 28, of Ghent, was also charged with Criminal Abuse 1st Degree and Wanton Endangerment 1st Degree as well as Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Possession of Marijuana. Roberts said the investigation is ongoing.

## NEWS OF RECORD

### JEFFERSON COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER Lodgings

**November 4, 2024**  
Daniel I. Scranton, 45, Bennington, Indiana, on a felony parole hold warrant. No bond.

**November 6, 2024**  
Marvin D. Brooks, 54, Madison, on a warrant for probation violation. Bond \$5,000 cash.

**November 7, 2024**  
Todd Michael Black Jr., 39, Madison, for Residential Entry and Possession of a Legend Drug or Precursor, both Level 6 felonies; Possession of

Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Bond \$1,000 cash.

Jorge Rodriguez, 60, Seymour, to serve 2 days jail, concurrent, on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond. Derrick Wayne Wilson, 47, Terre Haute, Indiana, to serve 730 days jail, consecutive, on a court-ordered sentencing. No bond.

### JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT & SUPERIOR COURT Sentencings

**November 4, 2024**  
Donald J. Watterson, 63, Madison,

to an amended charge of Domestic Battery, a Level 6 felony with judgment of conviction as a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 4 days served and 361 days suspended to supervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Samantha Carol Cozart, 28, Lexington, Indiana, to an amended charge of Operating While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 365 days jail with credit for 4 days served and 361 suspended to supervised probation plus \$489.50 in fees and court costs and loss of driver's license for 90 days.

William E. Chady, 67, Louisville, to an amended charge of Operating While Intoxicated, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail with credit for 2 days served and 178 days suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$389.50 in fees and court costs and loss of driver's license for 90 days.

Arlan David Straub, 20, no address, for Theft, a Class A misdemeanor. Sentenced to 270 days jail, all suspended to supervised probation plus \$289 in fees and court costs.

Elias Avelar, 31, Bedford, Kentucky, to an amended charge

of Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 180 days jail, all suspended to unsupervised probation plus \$389 in fees and court costs.

Eric Armstrong, 33, Louisville, for Reckless Driving, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 60 days jail, all suspended to 180 days unsupervised probation plus \$189.50 in court costs.

Leonides Garcia Gonzalez, 33, Ashland City, Tennessee, for Driving Without a Valid License, a Class C misdemeanor. Sentenced to 4 days jail, served,, plus \$189.50 court costs.

# More than 3 pounds of meth seized in Carrollton arrest

BY TAYLOR WILLIAMS  
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Kentucky State Police made two arrests and recovered more than 3 pounds of suspected methamphetamine along with other drugs and cash during a traffic stop on Thursday, Oct. 31, in Carrollton.

The arrests were made after a trooper from the Campbellsville post stopped a vehicle driven by Kevin Reynolds, 55, Warsaw, and received assistance searching the vehicle by a K-9 unit with the Carroll County Sheriff's Office.

The dog alerted, the vehicle was searched and police recovered “approximately 1524 grams of suspected methamphetamine, approximately 86 grams of suspected cocaine and an undisclosed amount of currency,” said a release issued by KSP Trooper Chad Johnson on Nov. 1

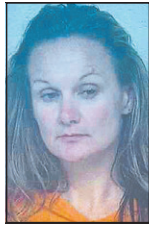
Reynolds and a passen-

ger in the car, Roxanne Lee Foster, 42, Ghent, were arrested and lodged in the Carroll County Regional Detention Center in Carrollton. Foster has been known to also go by Roxanne Arvin.

Reynolds is currently charged with: Trafficking in Controlled Substance 1st Degree or Greater Offense Greater than 2 grams of Methamphetamine; Trafficking in Controlled Substance 1st Degree or Greater Offense Greater than 4 grams of Cocaine; Trafficking in Marijuana Less than 8 ounces; Trafficking in Controlled Substance 2nd Degree; and Drug Paraphernalia Buy/Possess.

Foster was arrested on an active warrant for parole violation but could face additional charges. The case is listed as an “ongoing investigation.”

Kentucky State Police were assisted by the Carroll County Sheriff Office.



Roxanne Foster



Kevin Reynolds

# Trimble student struck by pickup on Peck Pike Monday

BY TAYLOR WILLIAMS  
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

A Trimble County student who had exited the school bus transporting her home was injured when she was struck by a pickup truck Monday afternoon on Peck Pike near Milton.

The accident was reported shortly before 4:30 p.m. when a bus that was traveling an afternoon route in the 1500 block of Peck Pike (KY 625) dropped off a student at her home and she was struck by a pickup truck pulling a trailer, according to Milton Fire Chief Will McCoy.

The nine-year-old girl reportedly suffered a broken hand, some knocked out teeth and bruises and was transported to the UK HealthCare center at the University of Kentucky in Lexington, where she is currently recovering from her injuries.

According to Trimble County Sheriff Charlie Kelton, the incident occurred on a rolling section of Peck Pike where the bus had made a stop to off load two girls at their home. “It was right over top of the little pop over hill, so the bus was kind of hidden,” said Kelton.

He said the pickup was following the bus on Peck Pike and hauling “two lawn mowers on a trailer.” When the driver of the pickup realized the bus had stopped, he “locked up his brakes and

skidded” along the road. The pickup “steered off the left side of the road to miss the bus” but the two girls were walking along the road to their driveway. Only one of the girls was able to avoid being hit, but the other girl was impacted by the pickup truck and “knocked into a nearby field.” The pickup and trailer continued on until coming to rest in a nearby cow pasture.

Milton Fire & Rescue, the Trimble County Sheriff's Office, Trimble County EMS, PHI Helicopter, and other first responders assisted at the scene of the accident. The girl was flown to the University of Kentucky hospital by the helicopter crew. Peck Pike was closed for several hours during the initial response, investigation and efforts to clear the scene.

Kelton said the accident is still under investigation and the truck and trailer are currently impounded and will be inspected by the Division of Vehicle Enforcement from the Kentucky State Police since the truck is considered a commercial vehicle.

A Facebook post by Trimble County Public Schools said the schools were “sending love, support, and prayers” to the child who is a student in the school district and noted the girl's family is “optimistic” and the “outlook reports a full recovery expected.”

## BIRTHDAYS

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**NOVEMBER 9**  
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Joe Chandler  
Mary Ritchie

**NOVEMBER 12**  
Laura Hodges  
Kay Stokes  
Anne Saxe

**NOVEMBER 13**  
Dan Thurston

**NOVEMBER 14**  
Nancy Barker  
Marci Kalb Cole

**NOVEMBER 16**  
Marilyn Allen

## WEATHER


**Sunrise:** 7:15 a.m.  
**Sunset:** 5:35 p.m.  
**Temperature:** High 64, Low 40, Mean 52.0, Excess 2.9  
**Precipitation since last published:** .98  
**Precipitation, November 2024:** .98  
**Precipitation, 2024:** 35.73  
**Barometer:** 30.14, Rising  
**River Level at Clifty Creek:** 422.18, Steady  
**Forecast:** Saturday: Mostly cloudy High 62/Low 53; Sunday: Rain High 65/Low 46; Monday: Partly cloudy High 61/Low 41; Tuesday: Partly cloudy High 61/Low 43.



*A Thank You from the family of*  
**Wanda (Chandler) Powell Cantrell**

*We are so thankful for Mom's friends who have reached out to us. We would also like to thank all those who donated to the animal shelter in her memory, and Morgan and Nay for caring for her in such a loving way.*

*We are truly grateful.*



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## LOTTERY

**INDIANA**  
**Hoosier Lotto:** 1-3-7-9-12-14 (11/6). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$28.7 million. Next Drawing (11/9).  
**Cash Five:** 1-18-22-24-43 (11/6)  
**Cash 4 Life:** 17-18-20-26-59 CB: 1 (11/6)

**KENTUCKY**  
**Cash Ball:** 11-18-24-30 CB 8 (11/6)  
**Lucky For Life:** 4-7-12-14-43 LB: 5 (11/5)  
**MEGAMILLIONS:** 2-24-25-52-58 MB: 9, MP 2 (11/5). Next Jackpot: \$334 million. Next Drawing (11/8)  
**POWERBALL:** 12-17-37-58-62 PB: 4, PP 2 (11/6). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$92 million. Next Drawing (11/9)  
**POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY:** 12-16-17-39-45 PB: 10 (11/6).  
**Next Estimated Jackpot:** Up to \$10 million. Next Drawing (11/9)

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**OBITUARIES**

**Howard L. Young**



Howard L. Young, age 81 of Commiskey, IN, and formerly of Moores Hill, entered this life on June 18, 1943, near Hazard in Perry County, KY. The loving son of the late Carlos “Jack” and Victoria Milam Young, Howard grew up in nearby Krypton, along with his sister Jackie and brother James. A second brother, Frank Darrell, died in infancy. Eventually the family relocated to Aurora, IN, where Howard later worked as a farmhand for several years in the Moores Hill area, mostly agricultural enterprises on Chesterville Road. While employed there, in 1964, he met his first wife, JoAnn Billingsley. This happy union of 29 years was blessed with one daughter, Kristina. JoAnn passed away on Dec. 11, 1993, at the age of 49 from cancer. He was inducted into the United States Army on Feb.17, 1964,in Indianapolis, IN, and rose to the rate of Specialist Four. He served in Company B, 6th Battalion, 2nd Brigade during the Vietnam Era. Receiving the National Defense Service Medal, he was honorably discharged on Feb. 17, 1967, from Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

After his military service, Howard returned home to Dearborn County and drove a log truck for the next two years. In 1969, Howard commenced a life career with Thatcher Glass/Anchor Glass Company in Lawrenceburg. He retired from Anchor Glass in 1997, after 30-plus years of dedicated service. In the summer of 1994, Howard met Roberta Lee Koons and they were united in marriage on Jan. 14, 1995, in Florence, IN. This union blended two families and they shared many happy, loving memories together, surrounded by their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Howard and Roberta retired to their home in Commiskey in 1997. For pleasure, Howard, a

jack-of-all trades, enjoyed camping, traveling in his RV out West, following dirt track, and sprint car racing, caring for his animals, joking around with his family, and going on Sunday rides. Baptized in 1964 at the First Baptist Church in Moores Hill, Howard was a member of the Kent Christian Church in Kent, IN. He also belonged to the Madison VFW Post 1969, in Madison. Howard died on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024 at 2:10 a.m. at the Waters of Clifty Falls in Madison, IN, after a long battle with Alzheimers. Howard will be missed by his loving wife of 29 years, Roberta Lee Koons Young of Commiskey, IN; his daughter, Kristina Bode (Keith) of Greensburg, IN; his stepdaughters, Tina R. Cunningham (Kelly) of Commiskey, IN, and Billie Jo Miller of Madison, IN; his grandchildren, Amanda, Jennifer, Adrienne, Brianna, C.J., Kaege, Kiersten, and Zachary (Hayley); his great grandchildren, Michael, Anthony, Thomas, Evan, Klaire, and Jayden, Jackson, Cashton, Alerionna, Alex, and Athena; his sister, Jackie Lock of Hidden Valley,

IN; several niece and nephews, Vickie, Charlie, and Randy and other relatives. He was preceded in death by his father, Carlos “Jack” Young; his mother, Victoria Milam Young; his infant brother, Frank Young; his brother, James Edward Young and his wife Joyce. Memorial services will be conducted on Monday, Nov. 11, 2024, at 3 p.m., at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Interment will follow at a later date in the East View Cemetery, Patriot, IN. Friends may visit Monday, Nov. 11, 2024, from 1 p.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison. A final salute with military honors will be provided by the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warriors. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison, and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials, can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Mary E. Smith**

Mary E. Smith, 84, of North Vernon, passed away at 1:00 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 5, 2024, at Hickory Creek in Madison. A funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Friday, Nov 8, 2024, at Sawyer-Pickett Funeral and Cremation Service. Rev. Dan Corbin will officiate. Burial will be in the Vernon Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. until the start of the service on

Friday, Nov. 8, 2024. Born on Jan. 22, 1940, in North Vernon, Mary was the loving daughter of the late Fletcher and Bertha Day. Left to cherish her memory are sons, Timothy Ray Christian of Hayden, and Mark Alan (Marilyn) Christian of Madison; grandchildren, Jeff Christian, Lamanda Hatton, Savannah Mae Walters, Asa Session, Jaman Cartwright, Jansen Cartwright, Matthew

Christian, Meisha Grigsby, TJ Higdon, Alan Christian, Theresa Hobbs, and Makayla De Groot; 32 great grandchildren; brother in law, Donny Shuck; and several nieces, nephews, and their extended family. In addition to Mary’s parents and husband, she is preceded in death by her first husband, Charles Morton Christian; son, Jeffrey Charles Christian; daughter, Debra Helen Grigsby; daughter in law,

Tina Marie Christian; son in law, Edward Lee Grigsby; sisters, Rosanna Mae Lowe, and Alice Marie Schuck; and brother, John Edward Day. Memorials can be made through the funeral home to OVO Head Start Foster Grandparent Program. Friends and family are invited to light a candle or leave a message of condolence in Mary’s memory at [www.sawyer-funeralservice.com](http://www.sawyer-funeralservice.com).

**TRUMP**

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In his second term, Trump has vowed to pursue an agenda centered on dramatically reshaping the federal government and pursuing retribution against his perceived enemies. The results cap a historically tumultuous and competitive election season that included two assassination attempts targeting Trump and a shift to a new Democratic nominee just a month before the party’s convention. Trump will inherit a range of challenges when he assumes office on Jan. 20, including heightened political polarization and global crises that are testing America’s influence abroad. His win against Harris, the first woman of color to lead a major party ticket, marks the second time he has defeated a female rival in a general election. Harris, the current vice president, rose to the top of the ticket after Biden exited the race amid alarm about his advanced age. Despite an initial surge of energy around her campaign, she struggled during a compressed timeline to convince disillusioned voters that she represented a break from an unpopular administration. The vice president has not publicly spoken since the race was called. Her campaign co-chair, Cedric Richmond, said she would speak Wednesday: “She will be back here tomorrow.” Trump is the first former president to return to power since Grover Cleveland regained the White House in the 1892 election. He is the first person

convicted of a felony to be elected president and, at 78, is the oldest person elected to the office. His vice president, 40-year-old Ohio Sen. JD Vance, will become the highest-ranking member of the millennial generation in the U.S. government. Congratulations started pouring in from world leaders even before Trump’s victory was announced. There will be far fewer checks on Trump when he returns to the White House. He has plans to swiftly enact a sweeping agenda that would transform nearly every aspect of American government. His GOP critics in Congress have largely been defeated or retired. Federal courts are now filled with judges he appointed. The U.S. Supreme Court, which includes three Trump-appointed justices, issued a ruling earlier this year affording presidents broad immunity from prosecution. Trump’s language and behavior during the campaign sparked growing warnings from Democrats and some Republicans about shocks to democracy that his return to power would bring. He repeatedly praised strongman leaders, warned that he would deploy the military to target political opponents he labeled the “enemy from within,” threatened to take action against news organizations for unfavorable coverage and suggested suspending the Constitution. Some who served in his first White House, including Vice President Mike Pence and John Kelly, Trump’s longest-serving chief of staff, either declined to endorse him or issued dire public warnings about his return

to the presidency. While Harris focused much of her initial message around themes of joy, Trump channeled a powerful sense of anger and resentment among voters. He seized on frustrations over high prices and fears about crime and migrants who illegally entered the country on Biden’s watch. He also highlighted wars in the Middle East and Russia’s invasion of Ukraine to cast Democrats as presiding over — and encouraging — a world in chaos. It was a formula Trump perfected in 2016, when he cast himself as the only person who could fix the country’s problems, often borrowing language from dictators. “In 2016, I declared I am your voice. Today I add: I am your warrior. I am your justice. And for those who have been wronged and betrayed, I am your retribution,” he said in March 2023. This campaign often veered into the absurd, with Trump amplifying bizarre and disproven rumors that migrants were stealing and eating pet cats and dogs in an Ohio town. At one point, he kicked off a rally with a detailed story about the legendary golfer Arnold Palmer in which he praised his genitalia. But perhaps the defining moment came in July when a gunman opened fire at a Trump rally in Butler, Pennsylvania. A bullet grazed Trump’s ear and killed one of his supporters. His face streaked with blood, Trump stood and raised his fist in the air, shouting “Fight! Fight! Fight!” Weeks later, a second assassination attempt was thwarted after a Secret Service agent spot-

ted the barrel of a gun poking through the greenery while Trump was playing golf. Trump’s return to the White House seemed unlikely when he left Washington in early 2021 as a diminished figure whose lies about his defeat sparked a violent insurrection at the U.S. Capitol. He was so isolated at the time that few outside of his family bothered to attend the send-off he organized for himself at Andrews Air Force Base, complete with a 21-gun salute. Democrats who controlled the U.S. House quickly impeached him for his role in the insurrection, making him the only president to be impeached twice. He was acquitted by the U.S. Senate, where many Republicans argued that he no longer posed a threat because he had left office. But from his Mar-a-Lago resort in Florida, Trump — aided by some elected Republicans — worked to maintain his political relevance. Rep. Kevin McCarthy, the California Republican who at the time led his party in the U.S. House, visited Trump soon after he left office, essentially validating his continued role in the party. As the 2022 midterm election approached, Trump used the power of his endorsement to assert himself as the unquestioned leader of the party. His preferred candidates almost always won their primaries, but some went on to defeat in elections that Republicans viewed as within their grasp. Those disappointing results were driven in part by a backlash to

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**DEATH NOTICES**

**Mae Campbell, 84**, previously of Deputy, IN, died Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2024, at Lake Pointe Village in Scottsburg, IN. Funeral service is at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9, at Collins Funeral Home in Scottsburg. A private family graveside service will take place at a later date at the Collins Family Cemetery in Deputy, [www.collinsfuneralhome.net](http://www.collinsfuneralhome.net). **Clarissa M. “Cleo” Dancel-Warren, 64**, of Scottsburg, IN, died Wednesday, Oct. 30, in Louisville. Cremation was chosen with visitation 6-9 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 8, at Collins Funeral Home in Scottsburg, [www.collinsfuneralhome.net](http://www.collinsfuneralhome.net). **Francisco Costa Leite, 86**, of Carrollton, KY, died Saturday, Oct. 26, 2024, in Carrollton. A celebration of life was Saturday, Nov. 2, at English Christian Church in Carrollton with interment in the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Carrollton. Arrangements by Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, [www.tandyecklerrileyfuneral-home.com](http://www.tandyecklerrileyfuneral-home.com). **Joseph Schmidt, 76**, of Bedford, KY, died Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024, at Baptist Hospital in Louisville. Arrangements will be announced by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, [www.ransdellfuneral.com](http://www.ransdellfuneral.com).

**Frankie C. Stewart, 94**, of New Castle, KY, died Friday, Nov. 1, 2024, at Norton Brownsboro Hospital in Louisville. Funeral service is 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 11, at Prewitt Funeral Home in New Castle, with interment in New Castle Cemetery, [www.prewitts.com](http://www.prewitts.com). **Darren Keith Sutherland, 44**, Bedford KY, died Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024. Funeral service was Thursday, Nov. 7, at Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, with interment in Campbellsburg Cemetery, Campbellsburg, KY, [www.ransdellfuneral.com](http://www.ransdellfuneral.com). **Roger Dale Williams, 79**, of Milton, KY, died Thursday, Oct. 24, 2024, at Norton King’s Daughters’ Health in Madison, IN. No public services will be held. Arrangements by Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford, KY, [www.ransdellfuneral.com](http://www.ransdellfuneral.com). **Alice Wilson, 88**, of Worthville, KY, died Sunday Nov. 3, 2024, in Worthville. Funeral service was Wednesday, Nov. 6, at Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home in Carrollton, KY, [www.tandyecklerrileyfuneral-home.com](http://www.tandyecklerrileyfuneral-home.com).



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**Jefferson County Council person Heather Foy (left) and Jefferson County Treasurer Megan Crowley Hoskins, who wre both re-elected Tuesday, talk with party supporters at the GOP victory celebration on Tuesday night.**

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8,444 votes (61.45%) to defeat Democrat Jennifer McCormick with 4,799 votes (34.92%) and Libertarian Donald Rainwater with 495 votes (2.72%). Statewide, Braun won with 1,451,984 votes (54.2%) while McCormick had 1,103,557 votes (41.2%) and Rainwater had 122,419 votes (4.6%). Todd Rokita, the incumbent, won the county vote for Indiana Attorney General with 9,275 votes (67.74%) over Democrat Destiny Wells with 4,417 votes (32.26%). Statewide, Rokita had 1,543,222 votes (1,543,222) while Wells had 1,088,004 votes (41.3%). For U.S. Congress in the Ninth District, Republican Erin Houchin had 9,327 votes (67.34%) in the county over Democrat Tim Peck with 4,209 votes (30.39%) and Libertarian Russell Brooksbank with 310 votes (2.24%). For the whole district, Houchin won with 215,085 votes (64.5%) while Peck had 109,205 votes (32.8%) and Brooksbank had 8,947 votes (2.7%). Republican Alex Zimmerman of North Vernon had 8,417 votes, running unopposed for State Rep-

resentative District 67, which includes seven of the 10 townships in Jefferson County, along with parts of Jennings, Ripley and Decatur counties. The win was Zimmerman’s first in a general election after he was elected in Republican caucus in July 2023 following the resignation of Randy Frye. For the district, Zimmerman had 24,911 votes. District 66 State Representative Zach Payne won reelection as a Republican, with 1,644 votes (67.93%) in the county over Democrat Jennifer David with 776 votes (32.07%). District 66 includes Hanover and Saluda townships in Jefferson County, and portions of Clark and Scott counties. For the whole district, Payne won with 21,370 (69.2%) votes while David had 9,520 (30.8%) votes. Republican Garrett Bascom won the county vote for State Representative 68 with 288 votes (69.23%) over Democrat Lisa Barker with 128 votes (30.77%). House District 68 includes Milton Township in Jefferson County along with Switzerland, Dearborn and Ohio counties. For the whole district, Bascom won with 26,971 (79.5%) votes while Barker had 6,962 (20.5%) votes.

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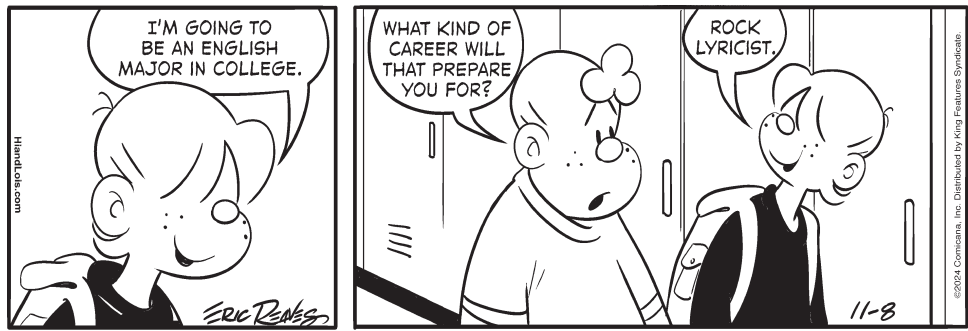
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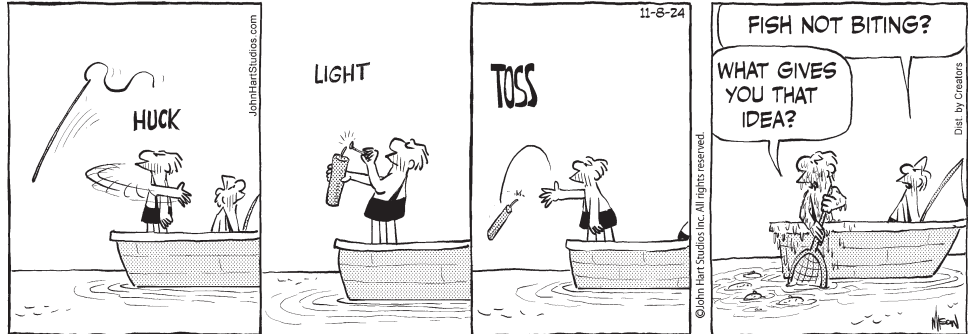
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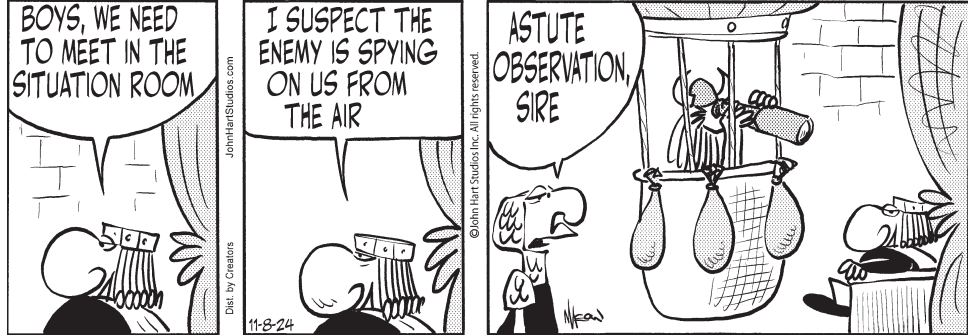
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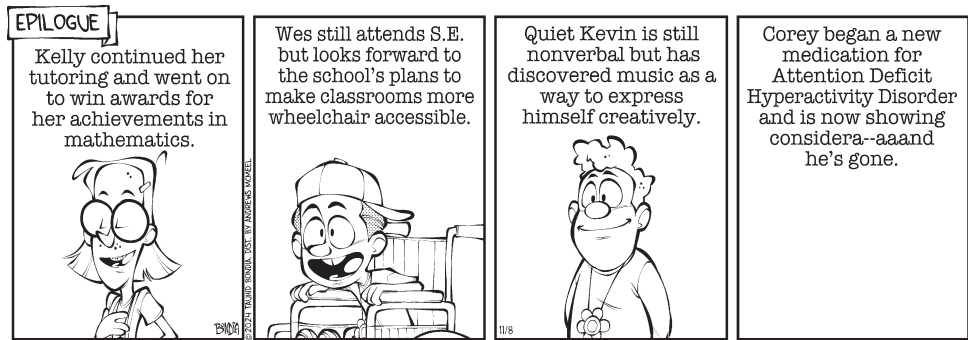
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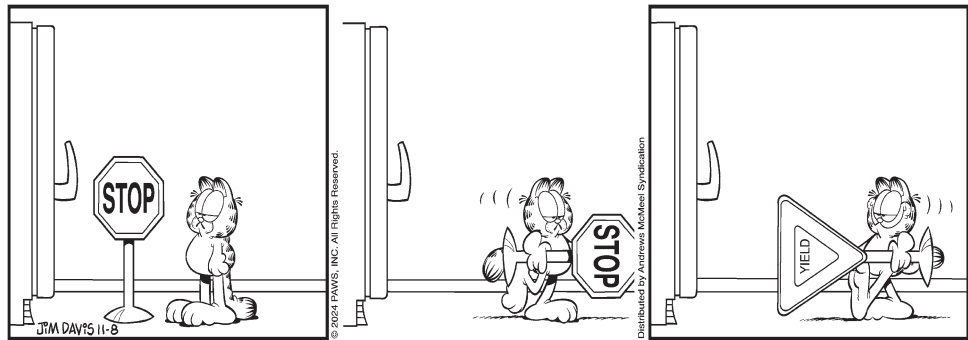
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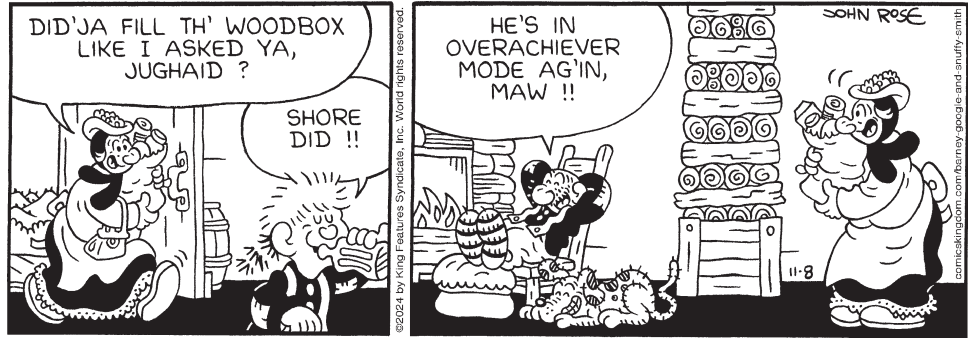
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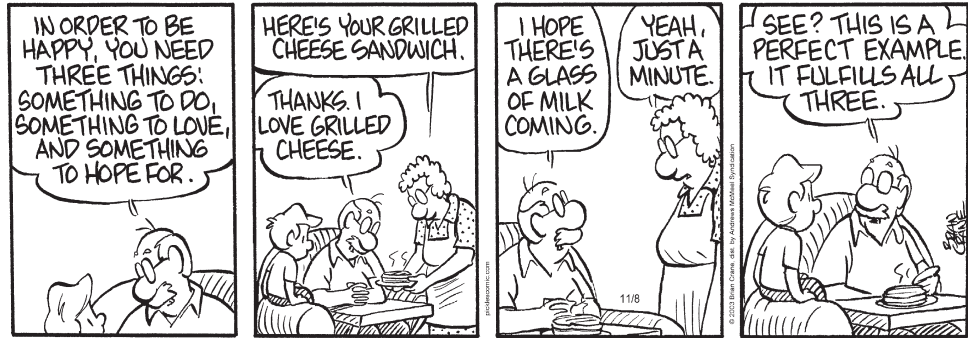
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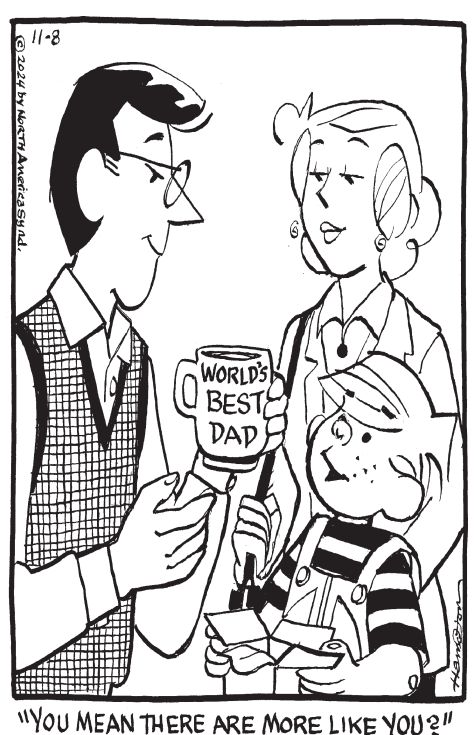
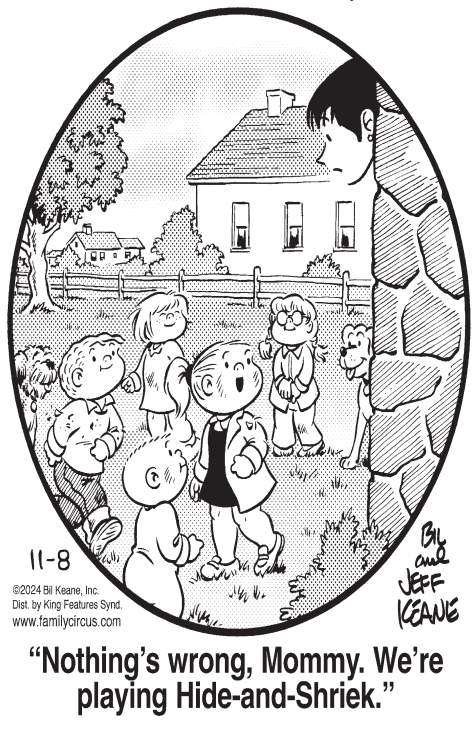


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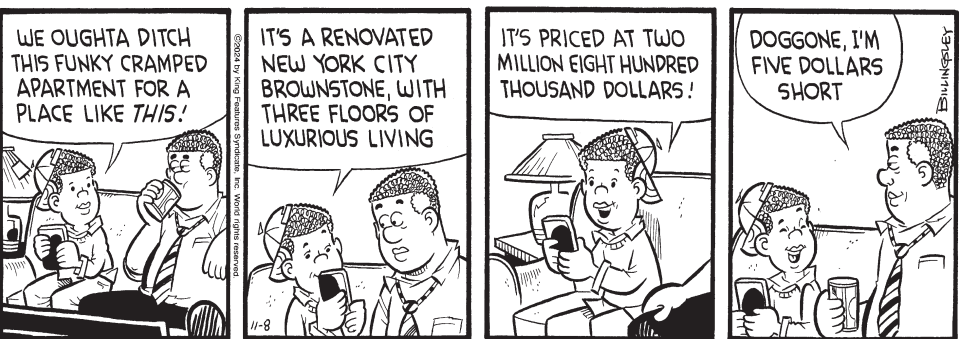
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Nov. 8, the 313th day of 2024. There are 53 days left in the year.

**Today in history:** On Nov. 8, 2000, a statewide recount began in Florida, which emerged as critical in deciding the winner of the 2000 presidential election. The recount would officially end on Dec. 12 upon orders from the U.S. Supreme Court, delivering Florida's electoral votes and the presidency to George W. Bush.

**Also on this date:** In 1864, President Abraham Lincoln won reelection as he defeated Democratic challenger George B. McClellan.

In 1889, Montana was admitted to the Union as the 41st state.

In 1923, Adolf Hitler launched his first attempt at seizing power in Germany with a failed coup in Munich that came to be known as the "Beer-Hall Putsch."

In 1942, the Allies launched Operation Torch in World War II as U.S. and British forces landed in French North Africa.

In 1950, during the

Korean War, the first jet-plane battle took place as U.S. Air Force Lt. Russell J. Brown shot down a North Korean MiG-15.

In 1960, John F. Kennedy won the U.S. presidential election over Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

In 1974, a federal judge in Cleveland dismissed charges against eight Ohio National Guardsmen accused of violating the civil rights of students who were killed or wounded in the 1970 Kent State shootings.

In 2012, Jared Lee Loughner was sentenced to life in prison without parole for the January 2011 shootings in Tucson, Arizona, that killed six people and wounded 13 others, including Rep. Gabrielle Giffords.

In 2013, Typhoon Haiyan, one of the most powerful storms ever recorded, slammed into the central Philippines, leaving more than 7,300 people dead or missing, flattening villages and displacing more than 5 million.

In 2016, Republican Donald Trump was elected

America's 45th president, defeating Democrat Hillary Clinton in an astonishing victory for a celebrity businessman and political novice.

In 2018, tens of thousands of people fled a fast-moving wildfire in Northern California that would become the state's deadliest ever, killing 86 people and nearly destroying the community of Paradise.

**Today's Birthdays:** Racing Hall of Fame jockey Angel Cordero Jr. is 82. Singer Bonnie Raitt is 75. TV personality Mary Hart is 74. Actor Alfre Woodard is 72. Singer-songwriter Rickie Lee Jones is 70. Nobel Prize-winning author Kazuo Ishiguro is 70. Filmmaker Richard Curtis is 68. Chef and TV personality Gordon Ramsay is 58. Actor Courtney Thorne-Smith is 57. Actor Parker Posey is 56. Actor Gretchen Mol is 52. News anchor David Muir is 51. Actor Matthew Rhys is 50. Actor Tara Reid is 49. TV personality Jack Osbourne is 39. Actor Jessica Lowndes is 36. Baseball player Giancarlo Stanton is 35. R&B singer SZA is 35.



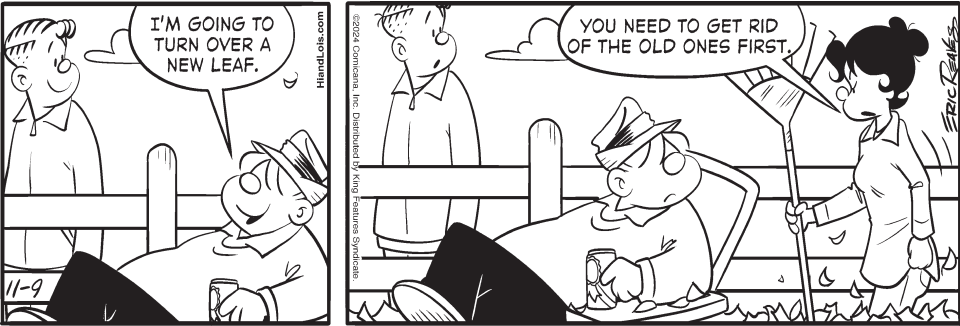
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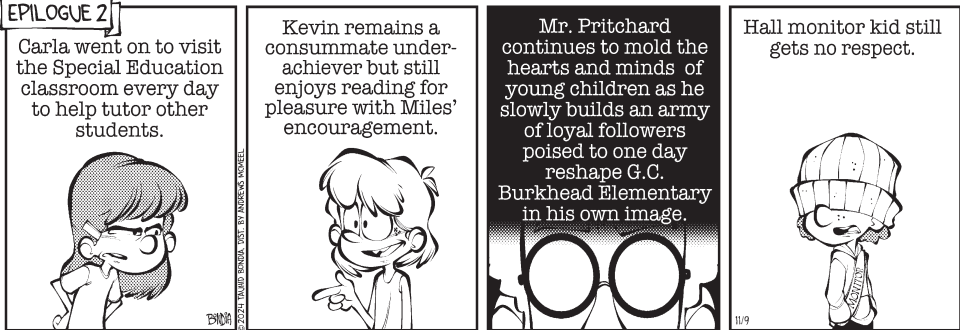
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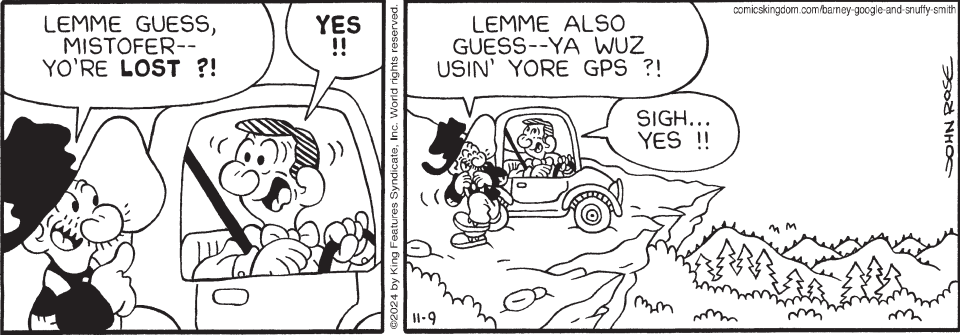
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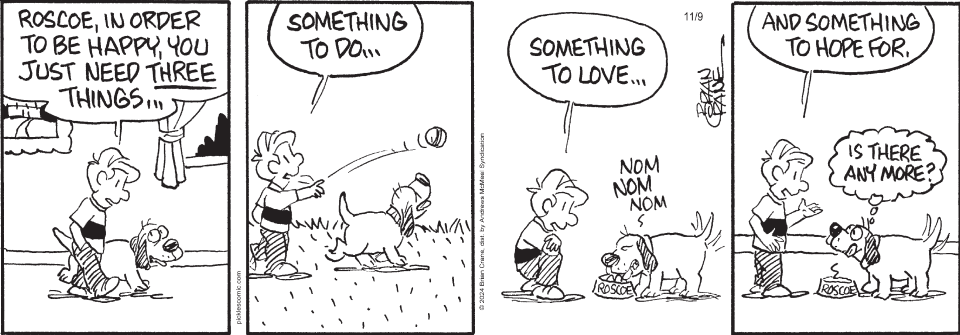
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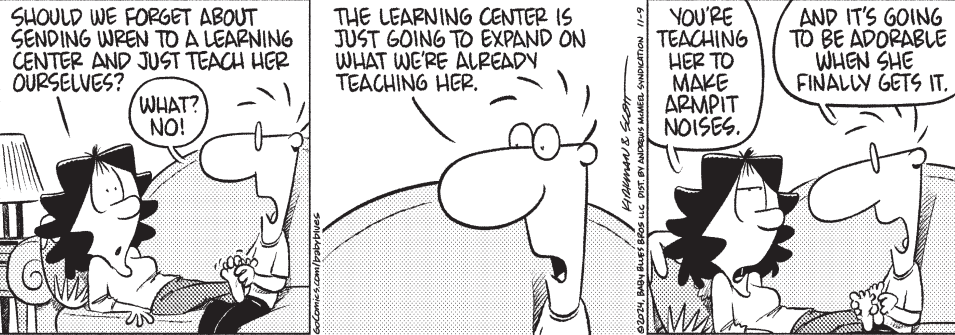
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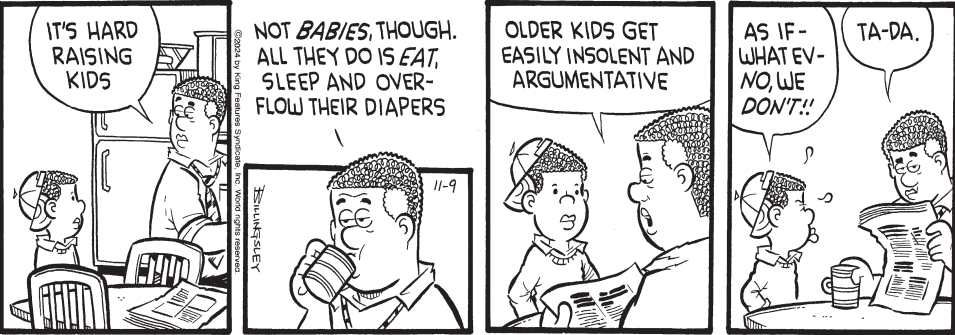
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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Saturday, Nov. 9, the 314th day of 2024. There are 52 days left in the year.

**Today in history:**  
On Nov. 9, 1989, communist East Germany threw open its borders, allowing citizens to travel freely to the West for the first time in decades.

**Also on this date:**  
**In 1906,** Theodore Roosevelt made the first trip abroad of any sitting president in order to observe construction of the Panama Canal.

**In 1935,** United Mine Workers President John L. Lewis and other labor leaders formed the Committee for Industrial Organization.

**In 1938,** Nazis looted and burned synagogues as well as thousands of Jewish-owned stores and houses in Germany and Austria

in a pogrom or deliberate persecution that became known as "Kristallnacht."

**In 1965,** the great Northeast blackout began with a series of power failures lasting up to 13½ hours, leaving 30 million people in seven states and part of Canada without electricity.

**In 1976,** the U.N. General Assembly approved resolutions condemning apartheid in South Africa, including one characterizing the white-ruled government as "illegitimate."

**In 2007,** President Gen. Pervez Musharraf, of Pakistan, placed opposition leader Benazir Bhutto under house arrest for a day and rounded up thousands of her supporters to block a mass rally against his emergency rule.

**In 2011,** after 46 seasons

as Penn State's head football coach and a record 409 victories, Joe Paterno was fired along with the university president, Graham Spanier, over their handling of child sex abuse allegations against former assistant coach Jerry Sandusky.

**Today's Birthdays:** Film director Bille August is 76. Actor-bodybuilder Lou Ferrigno is 73. Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio, is 72. Gospel singer Donnie McClurkin is 65. TV writer-director-producer Ryan Murphy is 59. Rapper Scarface (Geto Boys) is 54. Blues singer Susan Tedeschi is 54. Golfer David Duval is 53. Actor Eric Dane is 52. Singer-TV personality Nick Lachey is 51. R&B singer Sisqo is 46. Actor-TV personality Vanessa Lachey is 44. Country singer Chris Lane is 40.







# Nine Republicans elected without general election opposition

BY BOB DEMAREE

For Jefferson County Republicans, there wasn't any doubt about Tuesday's election outcome since nearly all of the offices were uncontested with no Democratic opponents.

Elected were David Bramer, Commissioner Lower District; Bobby Little, Commissioner Middle District; Josh Webb, Coroner; Mike Pittman, Surveyor; D.J. Mote, Circuit Court Judge; Megan Crowley Hoskins, Treasurer; and Gary Copeland, Pam Crozier and Heather Foy, County Council-at-Large.

The only contested race was for County Recorder in which Amy Storm Stephens defeated Democrat Jenny Beverly.

Commissioner Bobby Little was the top vote-getter with 10,976 votes to claim his fourth term as County Commissioner Middle District. "Being uncontested like I was, that makes me feel pret-

ty good" to have received more votes than any other candidate, providing assurance that he "must be doing something right that the voters have confidence in me."

Little's victory in the general election comes after he fought back challenges in the Republican primary from Rick Berry and Ray Black Jr.

First elected in 2012, Little noted there been challenging times that the Commissioners have had to work through but it's worth the effort. "There are good days when you really seen you've really made a difference in the community. It makes up for the rough days."

One of those times was when it was deemed the county jail in downtown Madison was no longer adequate for housing inmates, resulting in the construction of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Cen-



Bob Demaree

Jefferson County Republicans won all contested races in Tuesday's General Election following a national and state trend to take control of the White House, Congress and remain in control of the Indiana State House. Republicans elected locally gathered for a group picture at the party's celebration Tuesday night at the Cotton Mill in downtown Madison including (from left): Front row — Jefferson County Treasurer Megan Crowley Hoskins, Recorder-elect Amy Storm Stephens, District 67 State Rep. Alex Zimmerman, and County Council-at-Large member Heather Foy; Back row — County Council-at-Large member Gary Copeland, Circuit Judge DJ. Mote, Commissioner Middle District Commissioner Bobby Little, County Council-at-Large member Pam Crozier, County Commissioner Lower District David Bramer and County Surveyor Mike Pittman.

ter that opened in January. "We all really worked hard on that jail," said Little. "I'm proud of that jail, plus the fact we came in at 0.38%" on the cost over-

age when he said 4% to 5% would have been considered good.

Little said he's looking forward to serving four more years. "We have a lot

of good projects that we want to do to enhance the community. That's what it's all about."

Vote totals for other unopposed offices were

Pittman, winning reelection as County Surveyor with 10,869 votes; D.J. Mote, reelected as Judge of the Circuit Court Judge with 10,754 votes; and Webb, elected as County Coroner with 10,744 votes.

Meghan Crowley Hoskins, who received 10,716 votes, will be serving her first full term as County Treasurer after being elected in Republican caucus in September 2022 following the retirement of Melinda Klopp.

David Bramer, first elected in 2016, won this third term as County Commissioner Lower District with 10,709 votes.

Meanwhile, three County Council members at large ran without opposition. Gary Copeland, winning his second term, had 7,854 votes while Pam Crozier and Heather Foy, first elected in 2016, won their third terms. Crozier had 7,090 votes while Foy had 7,327 votes.

# Braun win extends GOP hold on Governor's Office

BY RICK CALLAHAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — Republican Mike Braun won the Indiana governor's race Tuesday, defeating Democrat Jennifer McCormick, a former Republican who split with the party after serving as the state's schools superintendent.

The victory by Braun, a U.S. senator who's the wealthy founder of a national auto parts distribution business, extends the GOP's 20-year-hold on the state's top office in deep red Indiana.

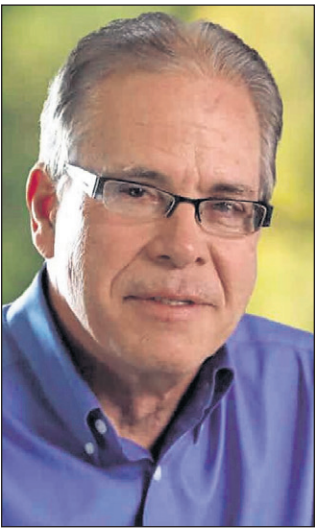
Braun, 70, will succeed outgoing Republican Gov. Eric Holcomb, who could not seek a third term because of term limits. Braun opted not to seek reelection to a second term in the Senate so he could run for governor. He won the GOP's six-way May primary election to succeed Holcomb with about 40% of the vote.

Braun told supporters at his victory celebration that unlike in the U.S. Senate, where he has been one of 100 senators, as Indiana's next governor he will have an executive job that's "less ideological" and is "more about running something."

He said his goal is to "make Indiana a place where our kids and grandkids want to move back to."

"We're going to take Indiana to places we've never seen before," Braun said to chants of "I like Mike"! I like Mike!"

"When you're an entrepreneur by trade generally if you survive, you know how to pick the best fork in the road and there are many of them. And to me it was coming back to lead our state where you can set the agenda, where you're going to get along with the Legislature. Imagine what you can do with that," he added.



Mike Braun

Braun quickly became the frontrunner in the race, bolstered by several advantages: name recognition, money and former President Donald Trump's endorsement.

Braun's running mate, ultra-conservative Christian pastor Micah Beckwith, wasn't his choice for the lieutenant governor's post. Braun had endorsed state Rep. Julie McGuire for his running mate when he became the GOP nominee for governor.

While Indiana delegates usually back the nominee's chosen running mate without a challenge, Beckwith was chosen by party delegates at the state Republican Party convention in June after he had lobbied delegates for a year to win the nomination.

Beckwith, who promotes uncompromising positions on abortion, gender and sexuality, cohosts a "Jesus, Sex and Politics" podcast, has courted controversy with some of his comments.

Republicans have controlled Indiana's governor's office since Mitch Daniels defeated the late Democrat Joe Kernan in 2004. And Democrats haven't won a statewide office in Indiana since 2012, when Glenda Ritz won election as the state's schools superintendent and Democrat Joe Donnelly won a U.S. Senate seat.

McCormick, then a Republican, defeated Ritz for the schools chief post in 2016 after pledging better relationships with Republican Statehouse leaders following numerous policy clashes between Ritz, then-Gov. Mike Pence and top GOP lawmakers.

But McCormick split from the GOP over education policy and changed her party affiliation to Democrat after her term ended in early 2021.

McCormick said in her concession speech that the governor's race was about many important issues, including public education, teachers, access to affordable health care and "making sure that women have reproductive freedoms."

"We congratulate Senator Braun and a lot of other Republicans who won this evening. We will go into tomorrow knowing we still have work to do because you know who's depending on that? Our kids, our families, our communities and the great state of Indiana," she said.

McCormick's running mate was Terry Goodin, a Democrat from Austin, who served in the Indiana House from 2000 to 2020. Those 20 years were marked by conservative votes against key Democratic issues, including abortion and same-sex marriage, but Goodin apologized for those votes and promised that he'd changed his mind.

Braun and McCormick were joined in the governor's race by Libertarian Donald Rainwater.

In the state's attorney general's race, Republican incumbent Todd Rokita won a second term Tuesday, defeating Democrat Destiny Wells, a lawyer and Army Reserve lieutenant colonel who ran unsuccessfully for Indiana secretary of state in 2022. Rokita is a conservative former congressman.



A Carroll County voter leaves the polling place at General Butler State resort Park Conference Center after voting on Tuesday afternoon. Carroll County's voter turnout was 51.79% with 4,061 of 7,841 registered voters casting ballots. Taylor Williams

# Mayor Adams loses bid to unseat Rabourn

Trump leads GOP sweep of contested races

BY TAYLOR WILLIAMS  
PAXTON MEDIA GROUP

Carrollton Mayor Robb Adams, caught up in Tuesday's Republican sweep, lost his challenge to incumbent 47th District State Rep. Felicia Rabourn by a 2-1 margin in voting in Carroll, Trimble, Henry and Owen counties.

Adams, a Democrat, ran strongest in his home Carroll County, but was on the wrong side of the vote totals in all four counties to the Republican Rabourn as all GOP candidates won easily in Carroll and Trimble counties, the 47th District and the state.

The GOP sweep was led by Republican Donald Trump, who out-pollied Democrat Kamala Harris by a similar 2-1 margin 1,335,516 to 700,606 in Kentucky as part of a nationwide campaign to take back the White House.

Rabourn out-pollied Adams 2,267 (57%) to 1,738 (43%) in Carroll County, 2,939 (70%) to 1,246 (30%) in Trimble, 5,713 (72%) to 2,237 (28%) in her home Henry County and 3,784 (70%) to 1,623 (30%) in Owen County.

Meanwhile, voters split on the two Constitutional amendments — both in Carroll and Trimble and statewide — where Constitutional Amendment 1, a law to require citizenship to vote, passed 1,208,218 to 727,239, and Constitutional Amendment 2, which would have allowed state lawmakers to allocate tax dollars to support private school education, failed 1,298,333 to 706,591 and was the second-most contested vote at 2,004,924 behind only the presidential race with 2,068,310 ballots cast.

The one local option election that was on Tuesday's ballot, the question of whether to allow medical cannabis sales in Carroll County, passed 2,536

to 1,375. However, the state has not yet decided which communities in Kentucky will be awarded the limited number of cannabis dispensaries that will be licensed.

Outside of 47th District State Representative, the presidential election and constitutional amendments, there were few contested races in Carroll and Trimble counties — eight candidates ran for six seats on Carrollton City Council and six candidates ran for four seats on Bedford City Commission. Incumbent 4th District U.S. Rep. Thomas Massie, a Republican, resoundingly fended off a challenge by Democrat Benjamin Middendorf 177,643 to 817.

Meanwhile, in the non-partisan election for Carrollton City Council, five of the six incumbents were re-elected with only Councilman John T. Booth being unseated by challenger Casey Cable.

Vote totals were (Incumbent): Jeffrey Dickow (I) 712, Douglas Hill (I) 698, Deidra Hays (I) 606, Casey Cable 577, Cristina Marsh (I) 577, Linda Jo Davis (I) 560, John T. Booth (I) 499 and Frank Bartley 252.

The non-partisan election for Bedford City Commission saw three of the four incumbents re-elected with only Commissioner Anthony Lembeger being unseated by former Bedford Mayor and Trimble County Judge-Executive Todd Pollock, who was also the top vote getter overall.

Vote totals were: Todd Pollock 85, Hilda S. Parrish (I) 75, Angie Robinson (I) 68, Christopher Jennings (I) 67, Anthony Lembeger (I) 46 and Tom Edwards 44.

The non-partisan election for Milton City Commission saw Troy E. Alexander 143, Donald Lee Carson Jr. 109 and Lynn Jones Comeaux 103 elected off the ballot while write-in candidates Leah Carson and Beth A. Babel Nichols received 10 and 5 votes, respectively, with

Carson winning the fourth seat on commission.

Trimble County saw a 59.1% turnout as 4,281 of the county's 7,244 registered voters made it to the polls in either early voting, mail-in ballots or at precincts on election day while Carroll County's turnout was 51.79% with 4,061 of 7,841 voters casting ballots.

Vote totals for other local races included:

**Carroll County**  
Commonwealth's Attorney (15th Judicial Circuit): Republican Leigh Tomlinson Roberts 3,365.

Circuit Court Clerk: Democrat Gloria Belcher 2,849.

Board of Education-First District: Corey Groseclose 490.

Board of Education-Second District: D'anne Smith 617.

Board of Education-Third District: Jeffery R. Bates 466.

Prestonville City Commission (four seats): Louie Spencer 29, Mandy S. Barnes 24 and James W. Burgin 4 (write-in).

Sanders City Commission (four seats): Bobby Abercrombie 38, Harold "Ozzie" Wright 26, Tina Lynch 24 and Timothy R. North 22

Worthville City Commission (four seats): Rick-ey W. Hearn 37, Laura Pelston 31, Bobby L. Snow II 28.

Ghent City Commission (four seats-all write-in): Dalton Mefford 19, Lacy Brawner 16 votes, Larry Willis 16, Matthew Branner 16, and John Westly Morgan 13.

## TRIMBLE COUNTY

Commonwealth's Attorney (12th Judicial Circuit): Republican Courtney T. Baxter 3,383.

Circuit Court Clerk: Democrat Stacy M. Bruner 2,723.

Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors: April Craig 2,376.

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# Simpson re-elected to Southwestern school board by 19 votes

BY BOB DEMAREE

Jonathon Simpson won re-election to the Southwestern school board, carrying that ballot by 19 votes over Tina Hardy for the seat representing Republican Township.

Simpson had 1,053 votes (36.01%) to win over Hardy's 1,034 votes (35.36%) Jennifer Burgert ran third

837 votes (28.63%).

For Madison school board, Dustin Bentz and David Storie were chosen for the two seats representing District 1 (precincts Graham, Lancaster, Milton, Monroe, Shelby Townships, and Madison Township 1, 2, 3).

Bentz led voting with 5,576 votes, which was

1,421 votes more than Storie's 4,155 votes. Tanya Burnette ran third with 3,326 votes.

Storie will be serving his second term on the board. Meanwhile, Bentz began serving on the board in October after he was appointed following the resignation of Brian Armbrecht.



# Madison proposes new stormwater regulations

**BY MARK CAMPBELL**

Madison City Council held the first reading of an ordinance that would repeal the city’s stormwater regulations and replace those guidelines and requirements with more detailed mandates and strategies, especially involving future development projects.

According to Mayor Bob Courtney, the proposal comes after more than a year of study on ways to deal with the city’s “chronic” stormwater issues and will replace an ordinance adopted in 2007 that is “just a few pages” with more specific and detailed guidelines that explain responsibilities of the city and its property owners and how future developments can avoid adding to Madison’s stormwater problems.

In fact, Courtney noted that through better development guidelines, the city can not only avoid adding to its stormwater problems but also mitigate existing issues created by less thoughtful development practices in the 1950s and 1960s.

“A lot of our problems are from not having these regulations 30 or more years ago,” he said, later adding, “We’re trying to put the genie back in the bottle.”

Although the new regulations and guidelines have been in the works

for some time — initiated after damaging flash flooding in 2021 — they more are in response to comply with new Indiana Department of Environmental Management Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit requirements tasking cities to establish stormwater quality and quantity best practices and compliance procedures.

Courtney noted that the new regulations will probably not impact existing properties as much as new development. What is done is difficult to undo, but when future projects are planned and executed there will be more consideration on how much stormwater run off they will create, where that water is going and can it be handled in a way that is safe and non-damaging.

A new fee schedule will be included in the permitting process to provide the resources to insure that oversight. Courtney said the city is under a state mandate to make sure that happens and faces “significant fines” for failure to properly regulate stormwater management.

The proposed ordinance is scheduled for a second reading and public hearing at the council’s next meeting at which time the document can be voted on for adoption.

In other business, the council:

- Held the first reading of an ordinance authorizing the issuance of up to \$1,750,000 in bonds to help pay for the city’s upcoming Main Street corridor road improvement project that is expected to take at least three years to complete at a cost estimated at \$21 million. The capital improvement bonds are expected to be issued later this year and repaid over a 10-year period at an interest rate not to exceed 6%. The ordinance will receive a second reading at the council’s next meeting at which time it can be voted on for adoption.
- Heard a report by Police Chief Shawn Scudder that the department has been conducting performance reviews and setting goals and accountability standards for shift captains, updating policies relative to new state laws with training on implementation and enforcement and updating Standard Operating Procedures in order to provide training to better implement risk management and mitigate liability.

Scudder said new body cams are scheduled for implementation later this year utilizing a cloud-based storage system rather than server based. He said the units include

features for automatic activation and upload and will require less management time by officers that may be more easily available to command officers and the prosecutor’s office.

Scudder noted that officer recruitment and retention continue to be an issue for Madison Police Department and other departments in the region because fewer candidates are choosing a career in law enforcement. He has reached out to local high schools, Ivy Tech and the career center in Versailles to make sure that those who are interested in law enforcement have the information they need to pursue that as a career.

Scudder listed several goals for the next year including: Working on police visibility and enforcement; Enforcement of the city’s noise ordinance; Increasing foot patrols; Conducting a citizens police academy to educate the public about the department; Developing a new training facility with both indoor and outdoor areas; and developing a new shooting range possibly as a join project with other local departments.

- Heard a report by Director of Streets, Facilities, and Solid Waste Chris Hale on various aspects of that department.

Hale said the city’s implementation of new tipper trash receptacles has gone well with 5,000 cans distributed and crews utilizing the new technology. However, he issued a reminder to customers that all trash should be bagged and not loose in the bins, no trash should be placed on top or alongside trash bins, bins should not be painted or marked and bins should be placed with handles facing the street on collection day. He said “orange” tags are being used to alert customers of collection issues and those receiving orange tags should contact the department for details.

Hale noted that trash collection is currently taking slightly longer than the previous system but there has been a big improvement in the safety benefits for crew members. The hope was that only one person per truck would be needed on the ground for trash collection but trucks are currently staffed by two tippers and a driver with the tipping equipment taking about 9 seconds on each can.

Hale said the department is gathering data on all routes in an effort to devise a way to balance routes and remain on a four-day cycle for trash collection, which is desired to accommodate week’s

with holidays. “There are definitely opportunities for improvements and better efficiency,” Hale said.

With the fall leaf season well underway, Hale said vacuum trucks are out on a regular basis concentrating on areas most in need and prioritizing management of storm drains to prevent drains from being blocked by leaves and causing flooding. Residents who need leaf pickup and have not seen a vacuum truck can call the department to be placed on the list.

Council person Carla Krebs suggested providing a schedule of operation so that residents will know when to expect pickup and be able to push leaves to the curb ahead of that date and Hale said he would work on that request.

- Approved a resolution to transfer \$332,412 from the County Tax Employee Insurance account with \$180,669.64 slated for the Common Council Employee Insurance account and \$151,742.36 for the Common Council Professional account as part of what Deputy Mayor Mindy McGee described as a “year-end cleanup process.” Any money marked for the Common Council Professional account that goes unused will be diverted to the general fund for next year.

## VETERANS

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free to Indiana Department of Natural Resources-managed state parks, reservoir properties, state forest recreation areas, and off-road state recreation areas on Veterans Day, Monday, Nov. 11. Veterans and military

personnel should simply let the gate attendant at the property they visit know that they are either a veteran or serving and on active duty.

Due to Veterans Day, all city of Madison, town of Hanover and Jefferson County government offices will be closed Monday. In Madison, the transfer station will also be closed Monday, but will reopen,

along with all other offices, Tuesday for regular business hours. Madison trash and recycling pickup will be delayed one day all week.

There will be no mail delivery and all U.S. Post Offices will be closed Monday, Nov. 11. All Bureau of Motor Vehicles license branches in Indiana will be closed Saturday through Monday.

## STRAIGHT

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There was one constitutional amendment question on the ballot that asked whether to remove the state superintendent of public instruction from the list of top state officials who would step into the governor’s role under extreme

circumstances. In Jefferson County, the yes votes were 6,722 (53.9%) and the no votes were 5,750 (46.1%). Statewide, the vote was 1,066,411 yes (53.8%) and 916,367 no (46.2%).

There also were questions whether to retain three judges on the Indiana Supreme Court and two judges on the Indiana Court of Appeals with “yes” receiving more than

two-thirds of the vote. Statewide, all judges were retained by similar margins.

Voter turnout in Jefferson County was 65.66% with 14,514 voting out of the 22,104 registered voters. This year’s turnout is close to numbers in 2020, the last Presidential election year, when 66.97% voted with 14,865 voting out of 22,196 registered voters.

## What are the Surrender Penalties in an Annuity?



### Layin’ it on the line

By Stephen Dybwad  
Retirement Planning/  
Wealth Management

Surrender, in the context of annuities, refers to the act of terminating the annuity contract and receiving the remaining value of the contract in a lump sum, rather than receiving future payments. Surrendering an annuity may result in a surrender charge, which is a fee imposed by the insurance company for early termination of the contract.

Like other financial products, annuities have surrender penalties to discourage policyholders from withdrawing funds before maturity. This is because annuities are long-term financial products designed to provide a stream of income, usually during retirement. The insurance company needs to have a steady flow of money from policyholders’ premiums to make payments to those withdrawing cash from their annuities. Suppose policyholders were allowed to withdraw their funds without penalty. In that case, they may be more likely to do so, negatively impacting the insurance company’s ability to

make payments to other policyholders. Additionally, surrender penalties are used to fund the guarantees and benefits promised in the annuity contract, such as death benefits, minimum interest rate guarantees, and other promises. These guarantees and benefits come with a cost, and the insurance company needs to recover that cost by imposing surrender penalties on policyholders who withdraw their funds early.

There are several ways to avoid surrender penalties when buying an annuity:

1. Choose an annuity with a shorter surrender period: Some annuities have shorter surrender periods than others, which means that the policyholder will be subject to a penalty for a shorter period if they think they might need to withdraw their funds early.
2. Look for annuities with no surrender penalties: Some annuities, such as shorter-term contracts, might allow for early withdrawal.
3. A free withdrawal annuity is a type of annuity contract that allows the holder to make withdrawals of a portion of the contract value without incurring any surrender charges or penalties. This type of annuity is designed to provide flexibility and liquidity, as the holder can access their funds as needed without having to completely surrender the contract. However, it’s important to note that free withdrawals may be subject to other conditions, such as limitations on the frequency or amount of withdrawals, or restrictions on the use of the funds withdrawn. Withdraw funds

only during a “free withdrawal” period: Most annuities have a “free withdrawal” period, during which the policyholder can withdraw a certain percentage of their funds without penalty. Normal withdrawal limits without penalty is 10% per year of the account value.

4. Consider riders or options that waive penalties for specific events: Some annuities have riders or options that waive penalties for events such as the annuitant’s death, terminal illness, or nursing home confinement.

It’s important to remember that these options may come with trade-offs, such as lower interest rate guarantees, so it’s essential to weigh the pros and cons before deciding. It’s also important to read the annuity contract carefully, understand the terms and conditions of the surrender penalties before purchasing an annuity, and consult a financial advisor or an annuity professional.

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Madison gearing up for sectional championship game

Cubs, Cougars both chasing first sectional title

**BY DAVID CAMPBELL**

You had plenty of entertainment options for your Friday night on Nov. 8, 1991 as you and your friends were cruising around Madison in your Honda Accord listening to Prince belt out “Cream” on the radio. Maybe you went to the theater to see “The Addams Family,” or headed home to catch the premiere of the new Carol Burnett Show on TV.

Or maybe, you just wanted to hit the TG&Y parking lot and hang out with friends.

But for quite a few Madison Cubs fans, the best ticket was a trip to Brookville to watch the Cubs take on Franklin County in the football sectional championship game.

The Cubs lost that game to Mr. Football Alex Smith in what proved to be Madison’s only shot at a sectional title.

Until now.

Thirty-three years later to the day, Madison will once again play for a sectional championship in football when the Cubs travel to North Harrison on Friday in a battle of two woebe-gone programs aiming for their first crowns.

Madison football coach Charles Benintende is aware of the history his Cubs will be making when they take the field on Friday and he feels the excitement from the community.

But he also knows that his

team has work to do.

“I’ve been fielding a lot of phone calls and hearing from a lot of people, and it’s an exciting time for the community.

“But one thing that my coaches and I have talked about is that we have to keep these guys grounded, keep them away from all of the noise and all of the fanfare and all of that kind of stuff,” Benintende said at practice on Tuesday.

“We’re inviting the ’91 team to come eat at our unity dinner with us on Thursday but I also want this week to look normal.”

Madison isn’t just playing for its first-ever sectional championship on Friday.

The Cubs are also helping to erase three decades of disappointment. At 6-4, Madison has posted just its third winning season since that 1991 campaign and last Friday’s win over Scottsburg was just the program’s eighth postseason win ever.

Benintende has not been surprised at his team’s success. Since taking over the Cubs in March,

Benintende has preached to his players that all of this was possible and, for many, it was just a matter of getting them to believe.

“We still got goals and we still got things that we want to accomplish, and we’re still laying the foundation of this foot-



David Campbell

Madison’s Jason Cosby (70), Ayden Waggoner (13) and Austin Dailey (45) swarm Brownstown running back Jack Pace (28) earlier this season. Madison’s ability to stop the run will be key in Friday’s IHSAA sectional championship game with North Harrison in Ramsey.

ball program and where we want to take it, where we want to be,” Benintende said.

Benintende was busy running his players through practice on Tuesday as they prepared for North Harrison, which comes in with an 8-3 record and fresh off a 14-8 semifinal win over Indian Creek.

Benintende said that he and his staff stayed up until “four or five o’clock” in the morning on Friday, after beating Scottsburg, to watch film on the Cougars.

What Benintende saw was a

very good football team that has dominated opponents with the run game.

North Harrison is averaging 271.6 yards per game on the ground and an impressive 5.7 yards per carry. Four different players have rushed for at least 300 yards this season with junior Bryce Fessel leading the way with 1,581 yards and an average of 6.8 yards per carry.

But Madison has shown an ability to stop the run this season. Even Brownstown Central, the top-ranked team in Class 2A,

was forced to abandon its run game and go to the air in order to pull away in the second half of its win over the Cubs on Oct. 4.

Benintende knows that stopping North Harrison’s running game will be the key to victory and he believes that his team has the ability to do so.

“It’ll be a tall task. Fessel is a good running back for North Harrison. He is a workman. Last game he hit 38 carries for two touchdowns and some yards,” Benintende said.

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LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

- FRIDAY, NOV. 8**
- BASKETBALL**
- Hanover men hosts Berry (Ga.), 7 p.m.
- FOOTBALL**
- Madison at North Harrison, IHSAA Class 3A Sectional Championship, 7:30 p.m.
- SWIMMING**
- Hanover at Centre, 6:30 p.m.
- SATURDAY, NOV. 9**
- BASKETBALL**
- Shawe girls at Charlestown, noon
  - Carroll Co. boys at Francis Parker (scrimmage), 2:30 p.m.
  - Hanover women vs. Sewanee (Tenn.) at St. Louis, Mo., 6 p.m.
  - Madison girls at Franklin Co., 7:30 p.m.
  - Southwestern girls host Brown Co., 7:30 p.m.
- FOOTBALL**
- Hanover at Defiance, 1:30 p.m.
- SOCCER**
- Hanover men hosts Anderson, HCAC Tournament Championship, 1 p.m.
- VOLLEYBALL**
- Hanover hosts Bluffton, 2 p.m.
- SUNDAY, NOV. 10**
- BASKETBALL**
- Hanover women at Webster (Mo.), 2 p.m.
- MONDAY, NOV. 11**
- No local events
- TUESDAY, NOV. 12**
- BASKETBALL**
- Shawe girls host Jac-Cen-Del, 6 p.m.
  - Madison girls hosts Lawrenceburg, 7:30 p.m.
  - Switzerland Co. girls host South Dearborn, 7:30 p.m.

HANOVER ROUNDUP

Late goal sends Hanover to championship game

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

A wild sequence that saw both teams score goals in the final minute of play ended in a 3-2 Hanover win over Transylvania in the semifinals of the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Men’s Soccer Tournament on Tuesday in Hanover.

The two teams had traded goals midway through the first half with Transy’s Henry Roetker scoring in the 23rd minute and Hanover’s Omar Dizdar equalizing in the 30th minute on a penalty kick.

The match remained deadlocked at 1-1 when Hanover’s Louan Seveno scored in the 84th minute to put the Panthers ahead 2-1.

As time ticked off the clock, Hanover looked set to win the game by that margin until No. 3 seed Transylvania (9-5-4) stunned the Panthers by scoring with just 42 seconds left in full time. Pioneer goalie Jackson Holt took a free kick near midfield which landed in a scrum to the left of the Hanover goal and Transy’s Jake Renneker redirected the ball into the net to tie the match 2-2.

But Hanover wasn’t done. The Panthers attacked quickly and with less than 10 seconds to play, Clayton Anderson bumped a shot from Dizdar into the net for the even more stunning game-winner.

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David Campbell

Hanover’s Omar Dizdar celebrates after assisting on the deciding goal with six seconds to play in Hanover’s 3-2 Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference men’s soccer tournament semifinal win on Tuesday at home.

Hanover hosts Berry to open 125th men’s basketball season

**BY SPECIAL TO THE COURIER**

Hanover College will host Berry (Ga.) on Friday at Collier Arena as the Panthers open their 125th season in men’s basketball.

The Panthers return 12 players and three starters from last season’s team that finished with an 18-10 record and a trip to the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament championship game. Hanover also adds six talented freshmen to the mix this season.

Berry will bring a talented roster north from Georgia to face

the Panthers. The Vikings return four starters from a team that finished last season 19-10 and was the Southern Athletic Association regular season and tournament champions on their way to an NCAA Tournament berth.

The Vikings have won four consecutive SAA championships and have been to the NCAA Tournament three of the last four seasons.



Coleman Sater



Cam Freeman

Berry returns the SAA Defensive Player of the Year and Second Team All-SAA selection Braxton Benham, a 6-foot-1 senior point guard from Cartersville, Georgia.

Berry was picked to finish third in the SAA this season in the SAA preseason coaches’ poll.

Hanover has won eight straight season openers, a streak that began on Nov. 15, 2016 with a 97-42 win over Boyce College.

Hanover looks to continue to make Collier Arena one of the toughest venues in NCAA Division III basketball where the Panthers have a home record of 79-14 (84.9% WP) since the 2016-17 season.

The Panthers return two players listed on the HCAC “Players to Watch List”.

Coleman Sater, a 6-foot-5 forward from Edgewood, returns for his final Hanover campaign and Cam Freeman, a 6-foot-2 point guard from Indianapolis Brebeuf, is back for his sophomore season after an impressive

debut season which saw him earn Honorable Mention All-HCAC selection.

Former Madison Consolidated standout Luke Miller, a senior, and his brother, freshman Jack Miller, who also played for Madison but finished his high school career at Scottsburg, are both on the Hanover roster. They are the sons of Hanover head coach Jon Miller.

The Panthers were picked to finish second in the HCAC in the HCAC preseason coaches’ poll.

Game time is set for 7 p.m.



# Oregon leads opening College Football Playoff rankings

## Unbeaten Indiana ranked 8th

**BY EDDIE PELLIS**  
AP NATIONAL WRITER

A season full of surprises didn't produce many when the first set of rankings on the road to college football's new 12-team playoff came out Tuesday.

Undefeated Oregon got top billing. The selection committee liked Ohio State just a touch more than Georgia in its top 25 — the first of six weekly polls the committee will put out.

Other than that, the panel's top 12 looked exactly like the top dozen in the most recent AP poll, which has been shaken up almost weekly thanks to a bundle of upsets that left the mighty SEC, of all conferences, without a single undefeated team.

The near mirror image of AP and the College Football Playoff polls meant Alabama, despite its two losses, would be in the bracket at No. 11 if it came out this week, as would Boise State, the leader of the Mountain West Confer-



Coach Curt Cignetti's unbeaten Indiana Hoosiers were ranked 8th in the first of five weekly College Football Playoff rankings to decide the 12 teams that will compete for this season's national championship.

ence, which came in at No. 12 and would earn an automatic spot as the fifth-best conference champion. "The summary is, Boise State is an impressive team," said Michigan athletic director Warde Manuel, who serves as chair of the selection committee.

Maunel explained Ohio State was ranked No. 2 because its only loss came by one point to Oregon. Both the Buckeyes and third-ranked Bulldogs were

rated ahead of undefeated Miami most likely thanks to strength of schedules that were much tougher than that of the 'Canes, who were ranked fourth.

"We're splitting hairs as far as looking at two great teams," Manuel said.

The rankings will come out each week through Dec. 8, when the final list will decide the bracket for the playoffs. Those start Dec. 20-21, with the 5-12 seeds in action at the bet-

ter seed's home field, and close with the national title game in Atlanta on Jan. 20.

The rankings don't directly correlate to where the teams would fall in the bracket.

The four best-ranked conference champions receive first-round byes, which according to this ranking would belong to Oregon (ranked 1), Georgia (3), Miami (4) and BYU (9).

The committee chose

Alabama over a handful of one-loss teams, but the Tide's strength of schedule clearly helped them leap over teams like No. 13 SMU (ACC), No. 17 Iowa State (Big 12) and No. 18 Pitt (ACC), who play in weaker conferences.

The rest of the teams in the fictional first-week bracket and their rankings: No. 5 Texas, No. 6 Penn State, No. 7 Tennessee, No. 8 Indiana and No. 10 Notre Dame.

First team out was No. 13 SMU while Army, with an 8-0 record and leading the American Athletic Conference, barely squeaked into the rankings at No. 25.

### WHAT FIRST-ROUND MATCHUPS WOULD LOOK LIKE BASED ON THIS WEEK'S RANKINGS

ESPN is paying billions to televise these games, so it got exclusive rights to the bracket reveal, filling the show with analysis and lots of references to "America finally finding out" — a nod to the opening rankings being released on election night. The network chose to fill in the bracket as it went along, which made things a little confusing — a second-ranked team real-

ly seeded third, and so-on. But here's what those first-round games would be (with seedings, not rankings):

No. 12 Boise State at No. 5 Ohio State: Would be the Broncos biggest postseason game since beating Oklahoma in the 2007 Fiesta Bowl.

No. 11 Alabama at No. 5 Texas: Longhorns win over 'Bama in 2023 punctured myth of Tide invincibility.

No. 10 Notre Dame at No. 7 Penn State: Feels like we need Keith Jackson for this one. Anyone remember the 1992 Snow Bowl?

No. 9 Indiana at No. 8 Tennessee: Hoosiers entry to the big-time (football) would come in front of 100,000 on Rocky Top.

### WHAT WILL CHANGE AFTER THIS WEEK?

LSU is ranked 15 and hosts Alabama on Saturday in what feels like an elimination game for the loser.

Also this week, Georgia plays at No. 17 Ole Miss; the Rebels two losses have both come by a field goal — to Kentucky and LSU.

Indiana hosts Michigan and is favored by 12 1/2, barreling toward a Nov. 23 matchup against Ohio State.

## No. 17 IU wins opener 80-61 over SIU Edwardsville

### Mgbako scores career-high 31

**BY MICHAEL MAROT**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BLOOMINGTON — Mackenzie Mgbako scored 19 of his career-high 31 points in the first half Wednesday and Malik Reneau added 15 points and seven rebounds to lead No. 17 Indiana past SIU Edwardsville 80-61 in Wednesday's season opener.

Mgbako made 8 of his first 10 shots and finished 13 of 17 from the field while going 4 of 5 on 3-pointers, making his only free throw attempt and grabbing nine rebounds.

The Cougars (1-1) were led by Ray'Sean Taylor with 17 points and Arnas Sakenis, who had eight points and nine rebounds.

Indiana honored former USF coach Amir Abdur-Rahim before the game with

a moment of silence. The 43-year-old Abdur-Rahim died in late October from complications while he was undergoing a procedure at a Tampa-area hospital.

The Hoosiers also honored SIUE forward Kyle Thomas, the son of the late Daryl Thomas, before tip-off.

Daryl Thomas played on Indiana's 1986-87 national championship team.

#### TAKEAWAYS

**SIUE:** After posting their first back-to-back winning seasons since moving to Division I, the Cougars played better than expected for 15 minutes.

Then things went awry quickly.

The good news: Better days are ahead for coach Brian Barone's program.

**Indiana:** The new-look Hoosiers certainly showed some promising things in the first game that counts.

Three of the six trans-

fers started and four played key roles.

But after a somewhat ragged performance, coach Mike Woodson needs to get these players in sync fast.

#### KEY MOMENT

After SIUE scored seven straight points to tie the score at 27 late in the first half, Mgbako answered with a 3-pointer, a steal and a three-point play. His flurry fueled a 15-3 run to close the first half, giving the Hoosiers a 42-30 lead.

#### KEY STAT

The Hoosiers drew plenty of fouls and improved significantly on last season's 66.4% free throw percentage by going 14 of 17. Indiana also outscored SIUE 23-14 off turnovers.

#### UP NEXT

Indiana hosts Eastern Illinois on Sunday (TV: Streamed live on B1G+ at noon).

## Loyer leads Purdue over Texas A&M-Corpus Christi

WEST LAFAYETTE — Fletcher Loyer scored 21 points to lead five players in double figures as No. 14 Purdue beat Texas A&M-Corpus Christi 90-73 on Monday night.

Also scoring in double figures were Trey Kaufman-Renn with 15 points, Myles Colvin with 14, Daniel Jacobsen with 13 and Braden Smith with 12. Kaufman-Renn had nine rebounds and Smith had 15 assists.

Owen Dease scored 20 for the Islanders. Garry Clark added 14 points.

The Boilermakers led 49-33 at halftime, but the Islanders got as close as three points in the second half before Purdue pulled away. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi shot 54% in the second half to get back into the game.

The Boilermakers shot 56% for the game compared to 45% for the Islanders.

Purdue hung its 2024 NCAA Final Four ban-

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ner with the national finalist prior to the game. The Boilermakers made the Final Four in 1980 and 1969, finishing runner-up in '69.

#### TAKEAWAYS

**Texas A&M-Corpus Christi:** The Islanders played well in the first 14 minutes of the second half to battle back from a 16-point halftime deficit to narrow the deficit to three points.

**Purdue:** The Boilermakers weren't able to put away the Islanders until the final six minutes. The Boilermakers were hurt by 16 turnovers, seven more than Texas A&M-Corpus Christi. Smith commit-

ted six of those turnovers.

#### KEY MOMENT

After Clark's 3-pointer narrowed Purdue's lead to 70-67 with 6:43 remaining, Loyer fed Jacobsen for an alley-oop that woke up the crowd. Purdue held a 20-6 edge the rest of the game.

#### KEY STAT

Colvin came off the bench to score all 14 of his points in the first half.

#### UP NEXT

Purdue hosts Northern Kentucky on Friday (TV: Streamed live on B1G+ at 7 p.m.) .

## Kentucky routs Wright State 103-62 in Pope's debut

### Kentucky will host Bucknell on Saturday

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Otega Owhe scored 21 points, Koby Brea added 18 off the bench, and No. 23 Kentucky shot 60% to blow out Wright State 103-62 in Mark Pope's Wildcat debut on Monday night.

Pope replaced John Calipari in April after the Hall of Famer left for Arkansas and revamped the roster with nine transfers. Owhe, an Oklahoma transfer, went 8 for 9 from the floor and made all three shots from deep.

Brea made all four of his 3-pointers for Kentucky, which shot 11 of 24 from behind the arc.

Lamont Butler shot 6 of 12 for 14 points while Amari Williams, who left Kentucky's final exhibition game with an injury, scored 12 points and grabbed 13 rebounds.

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Andrew Carr and Ansley Almonor each had 11 for the Wildcats.

Brandon Noel had 20 points, Alex Huibregtse scored 16 and Solomon Callaghan added 15 for the Raiders, who shot just 35% from the floor.

#### TAKEAWAYS

**Wright State:** The Raiders' only consistent offensive stretch didn't come until it strung together four consecutive baskets in the second half.

Wright State had to work for opportunities against a Kentucky defense that challenged everything.

**Kentucky:** The Wildcats were quick at both ends of the floor, attacking the glass defensively and spreading the ball

around on the other end.

The Wildcats owned the boards 41-32 and outscored the Raiders 56-26 in the paint and 37-21 in bench points.

#### KEY MOMENT

Pope walked into Rupp Arena to a crowd of 19,635 that was spread out around the arena he once called home.

#### KEY STAT

30 — Kentucky's assists on 39 baskets.

#### UP NEXT

Kentucky hosts Bucknell on Saturday (TV: Streamed live on SEC+ and ESPN+ at 4 p.m.) before facing Duke on Tuesday in the Champions Classic at Atlanta (TV: Live on ESPN at 9 p.m.).

## Louisville begins Kelsey era with 93-45 win over Morehead

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Kasean Pryor scored 18 points and grabbed a 12 rebounds and Louisville used a stifling half-court defense to earn a 93-45 win over Morehead State on Monday night in Pat Kelsey's debut as the Cardinals head coach.

Louisville held Morehead State to just 23.1% shooting from the floor and forced 21 turnovers that it turned into 29 points in the season opener.

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Terrence Edwards Jr. and Pryor combined to score 15 first-half points as the Cardinals jumped to a 41-14 lead at the break, holding the Eagles to just 3-of-28 shooting in the half with 11 turnovers. Pryor's 3-pointer with 10:51 remaining in the first half gave Louisville

a double-digit lead it would not relinquish.

J'Vonne Hadley had 15 points for Louisville. James Scott, Reyne Smith and Edwards each added 12 points.

Kenny White Jr. led Morehead State with 14 points and Dieonte Miles grabbed 11 rebounds.

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# Colts scrambling for answers to continuing offensive woes

**BY MICHAEL MAROT**  
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INDIANAPOLIS — Coach Shane Steichen has tried everything to jump-start the Indianapolis Colts' anemic offense.

He's thrown deep passes. He's tried to create headaches for defenses with the dual running threats of quarterback Anthony Richardson and running back Jonathan Taylor. He's even changed quarterbacks.

So far, not much has worked and after Sunday night's 21-13 loss at Minnesota, Steichen and the Colts are scratching their heads and scrambling again to find solutions.

"I always look at myself first. I'm the head coach, I oversee it all," Steichen said. "So I've got to go back and grind at it and keep working to put these guys in the best position going forward. I look at down-and-distance stuff, a whole bunch of different things, what we're calling, how we're calling it, formation, scheme, everything."

What's next is anybody's guess. It was just last week when Steichen determined 39-year-old quarterback Joe Flacco provided Indy (4-5) with a better chance of making the playoffs, so he benched Richardson, the No. 4 overall pick in the 2023 draft.

Flacco didn't fare much



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**Minnesota Vikings cornerback Stephon Gilmore (2) and safety Harrison Smith (22) break up a pass intended for Indianapolis Colts wide receiver Ashton Dulin (16) during the second half of an NFL football game, Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024, in Minneapolis.**

better Sunday when he threw for 179 yards, was intercepted once and lost a fumble on a botched hand-off. He certainly wasn't the only one to blame in a game that the Colts managed just 227 total yards and 13 first downs while they struggled to sustain drives and came up with a field goal on their only real scoring drive.

Those are certainly not the numbers Indy anticipated after drafting Richardson as its next franchise quarterback and giving receiver Michael Pittman Jr. and Tay-

lor lucrative contract extensions. The Colts also have the NFL's highest-paid offensive line. Yet here they are, barely averaging 20 points per game.

"We've got to get more consistent in everything we do, and we've got to have great preparation throughout the week," Steichen said. "We've got to put our guys in position to make plays and we're going through that process right now."

All the problems have done is raise more questions. Could Richardson

reclaim his starting job? Would Steichen give up his play-calling duties? Might there be a surprise deal before Tuesday afternoon's deadline?

For now, Steichen sounds more committed to finding answers than making changes — and figuring out how to change directions before they host Buffalo next weekend. "Yeah, he'll be the starter," Steichen said when asked about Flacco. "We've got a lot of football left, got a lot of faith and trust in our football team. We're going to

go put in the work this week to go beat Buffalo."

## WHAT'S WORKING

Defensive tackles. In his second game back from a sprained ankle, Pro Bowler DeForest Buckner provided a key presence for Indy's defensive interior line. Buckner and Grover Stewart created chaos for the Vikings, combining for three sacks including a key strip-sack.

## WHAT NEEDS WORK

Getting Taylor and Pittman more touches. Indy gave its two top playmakers three-year extensions for a total of \$112 million over the past year. But Taylor had only 13 carries for 48 yards and one catch for 11 yards Sunday while Pittman had one catch for 14 yards. Indy needs more productivity out of both.

## STOCK UP

CB Kenny Moore II. The Pro Bowler scored Indy's only TD at Minnesota on a 38-yard fumble return. He's now scored three times since last November and now ranks fourth all time among Colts defensive players. He also had six tackles, all solo tackles, with one for loss.

## STOCK DOWN

Flacco. In his third start with the Colts, Flacco strug-

gled. He went 16 of 27 with 179 yards, threw one interception and took three sacks — all on Indy's final possession. The biggest problem, though, was his inability to convert third downs to keep Indy on the field.

## INJURIES

The lone bright spot Sunday night may have been no key additions to what has been a lengthy injury list this season. Steichen said Monday he had no update on LT Bernhard Raimann's progression through the concussion protocol. Raimann was replaced by rookie Matt Goncalves at Minnesota. Steichen also said there has been no discussion of adding Pittman (back) to the injured reserve list.

## KEY NUMBER

9 — All nine of Indy's games this season have been decided by one possession, including Sunday's season-worst eight-point loss.

## NEXT STEPS

The Colts find themselves at a crossroads with a road trip to the New York Jets sandwiched around home games against the Bills and NFC North-leading Detroit. Losing just two of the three could put their playoff hopes in serious jeopardy, so Steichen needs to find a quick fix.

# Mahomes practicing as usual after tweaking ankle in Monday night win

**BY DAVE SKRETTA**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes practiced as usual Wednesday and plans to be ready for this weekend's game against the Broncos, two days after tweaking his left ankle while throwing a touchdown pass in a win over the Buccaneers.

Mahomes was rolling to his right and thinking about running for a first down as the Chiefs were trying to rally in the second half against Tampa Bay on Monday night. He suddenly saw Samaje Perine coming open and flicked a pass to him in the end zone, just as his ankle caught in the soggy turf of Arrowhead Stadium and sent a sharp pain rocketing through it.

Mahomes lay on the sideline for a moment before he was helped partway across the field, then trotted without any assistance the rest of the way to the Kansas City sideline. He was examined there but did not miss a play, eventually helping the Chiefs to another touchdown in regulation and the winning drive in overtime for a 30-24 victory over the Bucs.

"It's doing good," Mahomes said of his ankle Wednesday. "Obviously went on a little bit

of a roll. It's a little sore. But I'm able to move around and looking forward to getting out in practice and seeing how I can push it as the week goes on."

Mahomes has plenty of experience nursing ankle injuries.

The most high-profile one occurred during the playoffs two seasons ago, and he needed every bit of help recovering in time to face the Eagles in the Super Bowl. Mahomes tweaked it again in the first half but returned to lead the Chiefs to victory.

"We won't have to back off," Chiefs coach Andy Reid said of the two-time NFL MVP. "He manages it. He stays on top of it."

That process began immediately after Monday night's game, then continued at home — every day made more important by the fact that Kansas City is facing the Broncos on a short week Sunday. Mahomes was in the practice facility early Tuesday to watch game film and get additional treatment, and he was ready for the first practice of the week Wednesday.

"You can only do so much," Mahomes said. "It was pretty late getting some stuff in the training room after the game, getting some stuff to take home.

Stuff you can put on overnight to reduce swelling. You come in early in the morning — it was a long day of watching film and getting treatment, and preparing yourself for a short week."

In other injury news, Reid said wide receiver JuJu Smith-Schuster still would not practice as he nurses a hamstring injury that has kept him out of most of the past three games. Defensive tackle Ter-shawn Wharton also was out with a bruised knee.

Reid also had no update on Charles Omenihu and Isaiah Pacheco, both of whom the Chiefs hope to get back for the stretch run.

Omenihu tore the ACL in his right knee in their AFC title win over Baltimore and had surgery in February, and he has spent the entire season on the physically unable-to-perform list. Pacheco has been out since Week 2, when he fractured his fibula in a win over Cincinnati and landed on injured reserve following surgery.

The Chiefs have been able to overcome a host of injuries — including devastating ones to Rashee Rice and Marquise Brown that thinned out their wide receiver corps — by making some savvy moves in the

front office.

Kansas City traded for Patriots defensive end Joshua Uche just before the deadline, and he made his debut as a pass-rushing specialist in Monday night's win over the Buccaneers. The Chiefs also signed Kareem Hunt after Pacheco's injury, and their one-time star has delivered: He has logged at least 21 carries in each of the last four games, scoring touchdowns in all of them, and has twice eclipsed 100 yards, including the winning two-yard TD plunge in overtime against Tampa Bay.

Perhaps none of the moves has been as high-profile as the Chiefs' trade with Tennessee for DeAndre Hopkins, though.

The three-time All-Pro wide receiver practiced just two days before playing a limited role in a win in Las Vegas. Then, he logged a full week of work and showed out Monday night, catching eight passes for 86 yards and two scores against the Bucs.

"You just continue to get him more and more comfortable in the offense," Mahomes said. "We move him around and let him do what he's special at, and that's catching the football and winning those one-on-one matchups."

# No. 22 UK starts Brooks era with 98-43 win

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Clara Strack scored 22 points, Georgia Amoore added 11, and No. 22 Kentucky started with a 98-43 win over South Carolina Upstate on Monday in the Wildcats' first game under Kenny Brooks.

Brooks built Virginia Tech into an NCAA Tournament regular and brought Strack, a 6-foot-5 sophomore, and Amoore, a graduate senior and All-American candidate, with him as his Wildcat roster has 11 new players.

Amoore had nine points in the first quarter, and Kentucky used runs of 11 and nine points to lead 26-11 after one quarter.

A 15-point run helped boost the Wildcats' lead to 47-18 at the half.

Teonni Key, Amelia Hassett and freshman Clara Silva all had 14 points.

Key and Hassett each had nine rebounds, while Silva went 6-for-6 and had six blocks.

The Wildcats shot 52% (35 of 67) and held the Spartans to 29% shooting.

USC Upstate had 18 turnovers and was outscored 34-0 on points off turnovers.

Rebekah Gordon and AC Markham led USC Update with eight points.

## NFL TRADE DEADLINE

# Commanders acquire Lattimore; Lions get Smith; Steelers add Williams

**BY ROB MAADDI**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Marshon Lattimore, Za'Darius Smith, Mike Williams, Preston Smith and Tre'Davious White were sent to winning teams. Jonathan Mingo and Khalil Herbert are going to a place where they'll play more.

NFL teams, especially contenders, were active before Tuesday's 4 p.m. trade deadline.

The NFC East-leading Commanders made a move to help them try to stay in first place, acquiring Lattimore from the struggling Saints (2-7). The four-time Pro Bowl cornerback bolsters a defense that's already No. 5 against the pass. The Saints are getting a third-round pick, a fourth-rounder and their own sixth that they previously sent to Washington. The Commanders also receive a fifth along with Lattimore.

The NFC North-leading Lions (7-1) kicked off deadline day by acquiring Smith from the Cleveland Browns (2-7). The three-time Pro Bowl edge rusher helps fill the void created by the loss of star Aidan Hutchinson, who suffered a leg injury on Oct. 13 and still leads Detroit with 7 1/2 sacks.

The Browns, already looking to rebuild in a disappointing sea-

son, are sending Smith and a seventh-round pick in 2026 to Detroit for a fifth-round pick in 2025 and a sixth-round pick in 2026.

The Steelers (6-2) were busy, adding Williams to give Russell Wilson another option and Smith to bolster the pass rush.

Pittsburgh, which leads the AFC North, sent a fifth-round pick in next year's draft to the New York Jets (3-6) to get Williams, who had 12 catches for 166 yards in nine games. They traded a 2025 seventh-round pick to Green Bay (6-3) for Smith, who has 2 1/2 sacks this season after averaging 8 1/2 per year over the previous three.

The Ravens (6-3) improved their secondary by acquiring White from the Rams. The two-time Pro Bowl cornerback was inactive the past four games with Los Angeles. Baltimore sent a seventh-round pick in 2026 to Los Angeles for White and a seventh-round pick in 2027, two people with knowledge of the compensation told the AP. Both people spoke on condition of anonymity because the teams didn't announce terms.

The injury-plagued Cowboys (3-5) agreed on a deal with Carolina (2-7) to acquire Mingo and a seventh-round pick in 2025 for a fourth-

round pick next year, two people with knowledge of the trade told the AP. Both people spoke on condition of anonymity because the teams haven't announced the deal.

Mingo, a second-round pick last year, only has 12 receptions for 121 yards in nine games. He won't be catching passes from Dak Prescott for a while. Prescott is expected to miss several games with a hamstring injury. Dallas has dropped three straight games.

The Bengals (4-5) added depth at running back following an injury to Zack Moss, getting Herbert from Chicago (4-4) for a 2025 seventh-round draft pick. Herbert had just eight carries for 16 yards and one touchdown for the Bears. He'll join leading rusher Chase Brown to give Cincinnati another option in the backfield.

The San Francisco 49ers (4-4) acquired defensive tackle Khalil Davis from Houston for a 2026 seventh-round pick. Davis had one sack and nine tackles in nine games this season.

Some of the biggest moves came ahead of the trade deadline.

The Chiefs (8-0), Bills (7-2), Ravens and Jets added playmakers, acquiring wide receivers over the past month. The Vikings (6-2) filled

a big need on the offensive line last week and the Cardinals (5-4) got defensive help on Monday.

Two-time defending Super Bowl champion Kansas City got three-time All-Pro receiver D'Andre Hopkins and edge rusher Josh Esche.

Hopkins made his presence felt in Monday night's 30-24 overtime victory over Tampa Bay. He caught eight passes for 86 yards and two touchdowns in his second game with Patrick Mahomes.

The Jets acquired three-time All-Pro Davante Adams three weeks ago. He caught seven passes for 91 yards and one TD in New York's 21-13 win over Houston last Thursday.

Amari Cooper had a TD reception in his first game with Buffalo two weeks ago. Diontae Johnson played 17 snaps in his debut with Baltimore, a 41-10 win over Denver.

Left tackle Cam Robinson had a solid first start in Minnesota's 21-13 victory against Indianapolis. Arizona (5-4) picked up outside linebacker Baron Browning from Denver for a sixth-round pick, a day after taking over first place in the NFC West.

The NFL pushed the trade deadline back an extra week this year, giving teams more time to improve their rosters.

## LOCAL LEAGUES

### Madison Church Volleyball

#### RESULTS

#### Monday, Nov. 4 Praise Division Tournament

Hope Valley No. 1 d. Falls City No. 1, 25-10, 25-13.  
Dupont Baptist d.  
Hanover Baptist, 25-11, 25-15.

Wirt Baptist No. 1 d.  
Dupont Baptist, 25-18, 20-25, 15-10.

Falls City No. 1 d. Hanover Baptist, 25-10, 25-10.

#### Hallelujah Division

24/7 Life d. Mount Pleasant Baptist, 25-21, 24-26, 15-12.

24/7 Life d. Falls City No. 3, 25-6, 26-24.

Hope Valley No. 2 d. Falls City No. 3, 25-22, 25-18.

Wirt Baptist No. 2 d. New Heart No. 1, 25-11, 22-25, 15-6.

Wirt Baptist No. 2 d. New Heart No. 2, 25-16, 25-15.

Falls City No. 2 d. First Baptist, 25-23, 25-21.



# Faking It?

## SEC warns against using ‘injuries’ to slow high-tempo offenses

BY PETE IACOBELLI  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBIA, S.C. — South Carolina coach Shane Beamer had a final farewell for Mississippi last month as Rebel after Rebel went down on the ground with injuries, some serious, some minor, and created stoppages that slowed things down.

“First of all,” Beamer said after the Gamecocks’ 27-3 loss on Oct. 5. “I certainly hope all those guys are OK.”

Sincere or sarcastic? Who’s to say when Beamer quickly cut himself off and focused postgame comments on other topics.

But there’s no doubt he and others around the Southeastern Conference are tired of injury interruptions for players who may or may not be hurt.

SEC commissioner Greg Sankey took matters into his own hands with a memo to members last week to knock it off.

“As plainly as it can be stated: Stop any and all activity related to faking injuries to create timeouts,” Sankey wrote in the memo, a copy of which was shared with The Associated Press.

### COACHES HAPPY FOR REMINDER

Amen, said LSU coach Brian Kelly, who called the warning shot from Sankey “timely.”

Sankey, Kelly said, was standing out among “people in college football in making it clear that this kind of nonsense, which is a word that was used, needs to stop. It’s silly.”

Sankey’s memo said creating injury timeouts on either side of the ball is “not acceptable and is disrespectful to the game of football.”

There would be financial punishments for transgressors, Sankey reiterated.

First offense costs a head coach a \$50,000 fine. Get caught a second time and the fine increases to \$100,000. A third offense brings the coach a one-game suspension.

Any staff member is subject to the same punishments if found to signal or direct a player to feign an injury.

A player cited in such an incident could receive a public reprimand.

### NOTHING NEW ABOUT SEC’S STANCE

All this was laid out to teams before the season, Beamer said. He recalled reading the rules to his coaches and players.

“Here’s the policy in this league, and I ain’t paying the fine,” Beamer told them.

Ole Miss and coach Lane Kiffin have been front and center in the practice.

Fans at Williams-Brice Stadium booed loudly back in October whenever a Mississippi player laid out on the field, believing they were play-acting.

Receiver Tre Harris, then leading the SEC in receptions and yardage, got hurt in the first half and did not return. Defensive lineman JJ Pegues, who had two touchdowns on offense for the Rebels, left in the fourth quarter with what appeared to be a shoulder injury. The boos were loud during both stoppages.

Both played the following week in a loss at LSU.

Mississippi acknowledged last month the attention it has received for suspected feigned injuries.

It said it has “provided relevant medical information” for the SEC to review and will answer questions about recent games.

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### FAKING IT IN SPORTS

Faking injuries has been part of sports for some time.

Think of soccer on the world stage where a player rolls around in supposed pain until running again a minute or two later.

Injury timeouts in college football give that players’ team a chance to regroup while slowing a high-tempo offense.

Or it can give an offense getting dominated by a defense a few moments for coaches to come up with a counter.

The real world results mean four-hour games, frustrated fans and very little officials can do to halt it.

Kiffin said this week he was glad for Sankey’s crackdown.

“I know some people say, ‘OK, that sounds weird,’ coming from me. We’re a tempo offense,” Kiffin said.

“I’ve been saying this for years, OK, that faking an injury hurts us more than anybody — us and Tennessee — probably more than anybody in America.”

### GAINING AN EDGE

Such tactics straddle the line between gamesmanship and cheating, depending who you ask.

Oregon coach Dan Lanning said he purposely put 12 men on the field on defense to draw a penalty — and drain the clock of precious seconds — as Ohio State desperately drove for a go-ahead field goal in the top-ranked Ducks’ 32-31 victory last month.

The clock ran out on the Buckeyes next snap.

Florida coach Billy Napier said his team does not feign injuries.

“We don’t believe in doing it,” he said.

Still, there’s video of Gators linebacker George Gumbs Jr. making a tackle against Tennessee, rising quickly and jogging to the line of scrimmage when he appears to look to Florida’s sideline and instantly goes down with an apparent injury.

A few minutes later, he’s up and walking off.

Alabama defensive coordinator Kane Wommack understands the hand-wringing from fans and opposing teams. But a player who’s hurt should stay on the field to get assistance and give his coaches time for the proper substitute.

“Our guys need to understand, if they’re hurt in a game, never come off the field,” Wommack said.

Vanderbilt coach Clark Lea was grateful for Sankey’s reminder on a tactic he says he won’t ever buy into.

“Never do we cross a line of trying to game the system that way,” he said.

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THE Daily Commuter Puzzle

by Stella Zawistowski

ACROSS

1 Price locations

5 Puts in

9 Make preparations

13 Body of a ship

14 Toad features

16 Golf course target

17 Prefix with "logical"

18 Early video game company

19 Connect the \_\_\_\_

20 Music industry honor: 2 wds.

23 Complete collection

24 Vietnam's capital

25 Pittsburgh's NFL team

27 "\_\_\_\_ Misérables"

30 Be jealous of

31 Egregiously bad

36 RuPaul's specialty

40 Table expander

41 Thrash wildly

43 Tiny amount

44 12-ounce Starbucks size

45 Pauses before acting

47 Choral voice part

50 New Deal agency: Abbr.

51 Roomy

55 Cowboy's rope

60 Damage

61 Leader in fashion

64 Molecule part

66 Pilfer

67 British nobleman

68 Mojito ingredient

69 New Mexico county

70 Poker payment

71 Put cargo in

72 Famed Art Deco designer

73 Cook on a grill

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Today's Puzzle Solved

3 Gather bit by bit

4 Replay feature, for short

5 Not at home

6 Facts and figures

7 Attracts

8 Tactical expert

9 Advanced degree: Abbr.

10 Not taut

11 Tailor for fit

12 Birds' structures

15 Ambulance noisemaker

21 Paper factory

22 "Lion" actor Patel

26 Golfer Ko

28 One of Santa's helpers

29 Outline of a figure

31 Ctrl-\_\_\_\_-Del

32 Pod veggie

33 Chum

34 Insurer with a duck mascot

35 Scottish "no"

37 Go bad

38 Consumed

39 Car fuel

42 Actress Tyler

46 Narrative

48 Started, as a fire

49 Trunk of the body

51 Little

52 Barbecue spot

53 Pleasant scent

54 Snide look

56 Book of maps

57 Pebble or boulder

58 Mattress brand

59 Restaurant request

62 Move rapidly

63 \_\_\_\_ gin fizz

65 Club \_\_\_\_ (resort brand)

THE Daily Commuter Puzzle

by Stella Zawistowski

ACROSS

1 Has difficulty pronouncing S's

6 Felines

10 Egyptian bird

14 At rest

15 Leave out

16 Vaccine type: Abbr.

17 Heart chambers

18 Bossa \_\_\_\_

19 Serving of beer

20 "The Road Not Taken" poet: 2 wds.

23 Actress Ruby

24 \_\_\_\_-Ball (arcade game)

25 Base-clearing hits

27 True statement

30 Spanish ladies: Abbr.

33 Negative replies

34 Makes a mistake

35 Pre-Easter season

36 Addams Family dad

39 Summer zodiac sign

40 Plane shelters

42 Broad street: Abbr.

43 Siberian forest

45 Actor Michael

46 Eating regimen

47 Family car type: Abbr.

48 K through 6: Abbr.

49 Dame \_\_\_\_

50 Small handgun

53 Small tastes

55 Actress de Armas

56 Fancy light fixtures

62 Karaoke performance

64 Designer Gucci

65 Bandleader Shaw

66 Location

67 Cole \_\_\_\_ (side dish)

68 Stop

69 Otherwise

70 Trade group: Abbr.

71 Ruhr Valley city

DOWN

1 Trickster

2 Vanish \_\_\_\_ thin air

3 Belgrade native

4 Some clergymen

5 "Game of Thrones" name

6 Business meeting

7 Love: Spanish

8 DVR brand

9 Secret hoard

10 Little demon

11 Wedding attendant

12 Not external

13 Fills completely

21 Cybertruck maker

22 Salad utensil

26 Cow's sound

27 Fedora fabric

28 Region

29 French rolls

31 \_\_\_\_ hair pasta

32 Intimidates by looking at: 2 wds.

37 Tied up

38 Catherine \_\_\_\_-Jones

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Today's Puzzle Solved

40 Mayhem

41 Cottonlike fiber

44 Eviscerate

46 Wants

50 Out of style

51 How food may be fried: 2 wds.

52 Tibet city

54 Location

57 "\_\_\_\_ Well That Ends Well"

58 Secrecy

59 documents: Abbr.

59 Schedule data: Abbr.

60 Go up

61 Noticed

63 "Golly!"

# Wedding separates former friends

Dear Eric: I have a friend I haven't spoken to since her small wedding two years ago. I thought we were pretty close friends for 25 years. We shared our ups and downs. Before her wedding, she told me that it was going to be a small ceremony with only about 30 friends and family. It would be at a restaurant. They planned on paying for everyone, and 30 was their limit. I was shocked and hurt when she told me there was no room for me. I always thought we were close. I offered to pay for my own dinner, but she declined my offer and me. She later texted me pictures of her ceremony as if to include me in this pathetic way. I didn't respond to the pictures, and we haven't spoken since. I always thought she would reach out to me, but she never did. In the end, I feel like she has shown me that she really doesn't care about our friendship and doesn't care that I was hurt. Am I wrong, or is she wrong?

— Off the Guest List

Dear Guest List: There's a saying that goes "there's three sides to every story: your side, my side and the truth. And no one is lying."

It seems clear that you have different understandings of the depth of your friendship and the ways that you can show the other how valued they are. She could see your friendship as less close than you do, or she could think that by texting you she was actually including you. And that's her truth. Your truth is just as valid, though. You were hurt and part of being in a friendship is listening when a friend says that we've hurt them and then making it right. To get closure, I suggest reaching out to clear the air. You wanted her to reach out in response to your hurt, but did you actually tell her you were hurt? Is it possible she's hurt that you didn't respond to the pictures? I'm not sure that either of you is in the wrong here. However, a conversation is the only way that you can get to a shared truth and, hopefully, reconciliation.



R. ERIC THOMAS  
ASKING ERIC

# Readers share responses to letters on loneliness

Dear Readers: I published two letters from older adults struggling to find a connection ("Still Grieving" and "Wants a Connection"). I asked those of you who have successfully found friendship and romantic partnership at a later stage in life to write in.

Dear Eric: After being widowed at 48 after a 28-year marriage, it did take me a bit of time to go through a grief process and reconnect. One conclusion I came to for me was: Divorced people need divorced people and widowed people need other widowed people. Then I discovered that a good connection was someone already "in my circle." My close woman friend passed away, and I ended up marrying her husband who I had not known when I knew her. Common interests brought us together and our common memories and familiarity with our community gave us much to build on.

— Find Your People

Dear Eric: When a non-LDS friend moved to Salt Lake City and was looking to meet his neighbors without joining the church, I recommended he visit and join a Toastmasters club. He did and made many positive contacts. As an international communication and

leadership organization with clubs all over the world, Toastmasters weekly or bi-weekly club meetings welcome guests, enjoy hearing the stories or experiences of others and give people an opportunity to mentor and befriend others. Writing and practicing speeches has the added benefit of keeping someone's brain active and looking forward not backward.

— Toastmasters Member

Dear Eric: I joined two groups related to two of the things that most interested me: politics and writing. At the writers group, I met another woman with whom I seemed to have nothing whatsoever in common except a pulse and an interest in writing — but one conversation after another happened and somehow or other, we were soon the closest of friends. We still are. At the online discussion group, I began having conversations with one particular man. That led to exchanging phone numbers, which led to long calls, which led to FaceTime calls, which led to visits, which led to a loving relationship. I didn't join either activity with the goal of meeting anyone. I joined with the goal of pursuing interests in which I was already interested.

— Happy Byproduct



R. ERIC THOMAS  
ASKING ERIC

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## ASTROLOGY

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Today might be the perfect time to showcase your ideas and display them for all to see. If you play your cards right, you could get a winning hand. Consider diffusing potential conflicts by highlighting the positive.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Rome wasn't built in a day. You might not reap immediate benefits from your efforts, but you could gain traction all the same. Attending a group outing or adding some social contacts may be more profitable than staying at home.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Meddling in someone's future by playing matchmaker or trying to push them into a relationship would not be wise. Consider focusing on your own key relationships. It's possible that there is a misunderstanding to clear up.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — You might feel more popular than usual, so this might be a good chance to meet, greet and impress new contacts. If your social media account is blowing up have fun with it rather than trying to turn it into your next side project.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — While you might be on autopilot with important matters, you may truly come alive in social settings. Your charming ways could attract someone new who not only fulfills your fantasies but might prove to be loyal, committed, and honest.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Your popularity could hit an all-time high, especially if you attend group gatherings and participate in social activities. You may be in your element juggling social obligations, small disputes, or bringing friends together.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — Don't procrastinate; take steps to turn vivid dreams into reality. Your inspiring ideas could be wonderful, but they may only matter if you act on them. Heartfelt conversations with loved ones may lead to unexpected surprises.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — As you let the good times roll you may meet someone who sparks your interest. You could easily mistake magnetic attraction for true love. Consider embracing your role as the leader and guide your group with confidence.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — If you enjoy puzzles you may understand the frustration of walking away when one is not complete. A misunderstanding could briefly place you in an awkward position, but with a little time all may make sense and become clear.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Being friendly and kind doesn't cost a penny. Consider widening your circle of social contacts in ways that don't come with a price tag. Your leisure time may be well spent with people who enjoy similar interests and hobbies.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — Only risk what you can afford to lose. You may want to seek advice and counsel on potential investments and business strategies. You might get lucky and hit the mark doing solo, but you're taking an even bigger risk.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Steer clear of vampire relationships, when you provide so much sympathy and understanding that you end up feeling drained. It's wise to take the time to get to know new friends before giving them too much energy.

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## ASTROLOGY

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Star quality can manifest in a variety of ways. Someone could be impressed and remind you of your many special talents. You might discover that someone close has an exciting new idea or is aiming their romantic intentions at you.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — When you're the center of someone's attention, they may be more generous so you're likely to share in the rewards. Your networking skills might pay off with a valuable tip or new opportunity from a generous supporter.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Focus on enjoying your favorite things and hobbies. Loved ones could seem vague or lack direction but your pushing might not help them make faster decisions. It may be wise to delay having a heart-to-heart discussion for a few days.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — You might need to tidy up for guests or prepare a treat for a party. The more effort you put in, the more enjoyment you might get out. Think about using your diplomatic skills to make a meaningful contribution to the community.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — You may be more attractive and in demand than you realize. A special someone might seem to be perfectly in sync with you. Your generosity and affection could be appreciated by your partner and loved ones if you share it.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — You may be swept away on a sea of inspiration. It may not be helpful to get overly emotional about casual acquaintances when remaining open could serve better. You might avoid misunderstandings by being very clear and direct.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — Break out your

smiles when you meet someone new. Social events and gatherings could offer a new set of exciting connections and be the perfect distraction if too many challenging matters seem to take over your mind.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — Confidence may reign supreme. When you meet a new group of acquaintances, you might find yourself treated like royalty. You could have ample time and opportunity to turn your most cherished goals into your newfound reality.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — Showcasing your charm, sensitivity, and skills could surely impress someone. You might uncover hidden talents you never knew you had. Consider getting organized to balance your essential tasks with social activities.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Networking has the word work in it but remember to have fun. You may shine when you are involved in community or charitable activities. You might be asked to provide some extra time and effort to complete an important project.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — You might find yourself torn between pursuing long-term goals and spending time with loved ones. Remember, you reap what you sow. Being generous and conscientious, even if it takes extra effort, always has a rewarding feeling.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Embrace your imperfections or find ways to improve them. You may feel called to take a trip down memory lane or reconnect with an old friend or loved one. You never know what you can achieve until you give it a real try.



# Ohtani has surgery to repair torn labrum

## Dodgers not counting on him to pitch at start of season

BY RONALD BLUM  
AP BASEBALL WRITER

SAN ANTONIO — The Dodgers aren’t counting on Shohei Ohtani to pitch at the start of next season and will wait to see how his rehabilitation progresses following shoulder surgery on his non-throwing arm.

Ohtani had a procedure Tuesday to repair a torn labrum in his left shoulder, an injury sustained while sliding during a stolen-base attempt in Game 2 of the World Series on Oct. 26. The two-way star did not pitch this year while recovering from elbow surgery on Sept. 19, 2023.

“We’re going to take it piece by piece and get through this and then take it in one-, two-week chunks and make sure that we’re in a really good place on each of those benchmarks and then go from there and not try to say, ‘Hey, we need to be ready by this day,’” general manager Brandon Gomes said Wednesday. “We’re going to let the rehab process play out.”

After signing a record

\$700 million, 10-year contract, the 30-year-old Ohtani hit .310 with 54 homers, 130 RBIs and 59 stolen bases, becoming the first player with at least 50 homers and 50 stolen bases in a season.

“I think it’s safe that he will not steal 50 bases next year,” Gomes said. “I have a hunch. I don’t want to count it out because I don’t ever bet against Shohei.”

Gomes said left-hander Clayton Kershaw had surgery Wednesday but he could not go into details because the three-time Cy Young Award winner was a free agent. He also said Mookie Betts is likely headed back to the infield next year and the World Series champions would like to reach a new contract with manager Dave Roberts, whose current deal runs through next season.

Ohtani was operated on by head team physician Dr. Neal ElAttrache.

“The rehab stages have different lower intensity exercises and may just be movement,” Gomes said. “Our trainers and performance coaches and doc-

tors are all in lockstep on that and we’ll be with him along the way.”

Ohtani has stopped his throwing program.

“He probably would have stopped throwing anyway with the offseason but he needs to recover from this and then get that back up,” Gomes said.

Los Angeles expects to have right-handers Yoshinobu Yamamoto, Tony Gonsolin, Dustin May and Tyler Glasnow ready for opening day. Yamamoto was sidelined by right triceps tightness between June 15 and Sept. 10, Glasnow didn’t pitch after Aug. 11 because of right elbow tendinitis, Gonsolin spent all of 2024 recovering from Tommy John surgery and May didn’t pitch this year following elbow and esophagus operations.

Betts started the season at shortstop, broke his left hand on June 16 when hit by a pitch and moved to right field when he returned on Aug. 12. His shift back to the infield is a product of trying to protect his body and the desire of the 32-year-old, an eight-time All-Star.

“That’s not set in stone but I think just the toll of the outfield and I think it’s really hard on guys


bouncing back and forth,” Gomes said. “We’ll have those more in-depth conversations soon and get some clarity on it.”

Roberts started as Dodgers manager for the 2016 season with a three-year contract that included a team option, agreed in December 2018 to a four-year contract and then in March 2022 to his latest deal, which runs through 2025. He has a 851-506 record, leading the Dodgers to a pair of World Series titles and four NL pennants. “We want Dave here as long as we can see out and we’ve had success with doing extensions in the past with him,” Gomes said. “We expect at some point this offseason talking through that.”

Kershaw said Friday he was going to have operations on his left big toe and knee. The 36-year-old didn’t make his season debut until July 25 following shoulder surgery and was limited to seven starts, going 2-2 with a 4.50 ERA. He didn’t pitch after Aug. 30 because of the toe injury.

Kershaw on Monday declined a \$10 million player option that would have allowed him to earn \$15 million in perfor-

mance bonuses. “He’s a high priority for us,” Gomes said.



**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS FOR THE YEAR 2025**

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Commissioners of Jefferson County, Indiana, up to the hour of 4:00 p.m. E.S.T. on Thursday, November 21, 2024, will receive sealed bids or proposals for purchasing the following items for the calendar year 2025:  
Item one: Culvert Pipe  
Item two: Gasoline  
Item three: Diesel Fuel  
Item four: Crushed Stone  
Item five: Ready Mix Concrete  
Item six: Hot Mix Asphalt Surfacing Mix  
Item seven: Calcium Chloride  
Item eight: Liquid Asphalt  
Item nine: Vegetation Spray  
Item ten: Itemized Equipment Rental and Labor Rates  
Sealed bids or proposals will be opened at the Board of Commissioners meeting, scheduled for the same day, Thursday, November 21, 2024 beginning at 5:00 pm. This meeting will take place at the Troy D. Morgan Public Safety Center, 620 Green Road, Madison, IN 47250. Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid price or not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000).  
All bids shall be submitted on the Jefferson County Highway Department Bid Form, said form being available at the Office of the Auditor of Jefferson County, Indiana, at the County Courthouse, 300 East Main St, Madison, IN. Specifications are on file at the Auditor's Office.  
By Order of the Board  
Heather Huff, Jefferson County Auditor

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## Boras says Soto may top Ohtani’s record \$700M deal

BY RONALD BLUM  
AP BASEBALL WRITER

SAN ANTONIO — Agent Scott Boras indicated Juan Soto may be seeking to top Shohei Ohtani’s record \$700 million contract because he is three years younger than the Japanese two-way star was when he reached his deal with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Boras gave a pun-filled, 48-minute assessment of the market at the general managers meetings on Wednesday, calling Soto “the Mona Lisa of the museum.” Boras said only a handful of players have matched Soto’s accomplishments at age 26, mentioning Willie Mays, Hank Aaron and Ted Williams, and boasted “he has literally 15 years more of his prime to offer.”

“You’re talking about a business opportunity where you can make literally billions of dollars by acquiring somebody,” Boras said.

“You can really see that owners, general managers, that they’re kind of called upon to be championship magicians. ... It’s hard to do, to put together that magic of a championship run, but behind every great magician obviously is the magic Juan.”

Ohtani agreed to his 10-year contract late last year and helped lead the team to its second World Series title in five years.

The deal contains \$680 million in deferred money payable from 2034-43, reducing its average annual value for purposes of baseball’s luxury tax to approximately \$46.08 million.

“I don’t think Ohtani has much to do with Juan Soto, at all,” Boras said. “It’s not something we discuss or consider. Juan Soto is — he’s in an age category that separates him from all.”

He wouldn’t publicly discuss specifics of what Soto is seeking.

“I’m not going to talk about dollars and cents. That’s something we’ll take care of with the clubs,” Boras said.

He dismissed the idea of Soto accepting deferred money similar to Ohtani.

“I don’t think that tax considerations are the focal point when you’re talking about a business opportunity where you

can make literally billions of dollars by acquiring somebody,” he said.

Boras sprinkled in attempts at humor when discussing several of his top free agents:

—First baseman Pete Alonso, nicknamed the Polar Bear: “We hear a lot about the bear market for power-hitting first baseman and for Pete’s sake, it’s the polar opposite.”

—Pitcher Corbin Burnes: “He continues to be a Corbin copy of his previous seasons.”

—Pitcher Blake Snell: “There’s no doubt that the Snelling salts have created a lot of whiffs.”

—Third baseman Alex Bregman: “He’s provided the Astros with an infusion of championship blood. I’d say everything about him is AB positive.”

Soto was traded from Washington to San Diego in 2022 after turning down a \$440 million, 15-year offer. He was dealt to the New York Yankees last December and hit .288 with 41 homers, 109 RBIs and 128 runs, hitting second in the batting order ahead of Aaron Judge.

The Yankees want to retain Soto after he helped them reach the World Series for the first time since 2009.

Soto is expected to be pursued by the New York Mets and billionaire owner Steve Cohen.

“The Mets are obviously trying to get to their goal, which is winning a world championship,” Boras said.

“I think they’ve been very clear about pursuing

this aggressively.”

Soto intends to meet with owners who want him.

“I’m going to commit my career to it and I want the owner to commit his resources to it,” Boras said of his client’s mindset. “That’s really why Juan Soto became a free agent.”

Boras said Soto would be a moneymaker for whichever team he signs with.

“When the owners win repeatedly, their revenues skyrocket. They develop the impact of postseason play, attendance, rights in the streaming world,” he said. “Plus the international branding.”

Boras maintained that disruption in broadcast revenue should not be a factor in the market, which was slow last offseason after Diamond Sports Group filed for bankruptcy. MLB took over broadcasts of the San Diego Padres and Arizona Diamondbacks during the 2023 season, the Colorado Rockies this year and the Cleveland Guardians, Milwaukee Brewers and Minnesota Twins for 2025.

“The TV uncertainty was kind of last year’s question,” Boras said.

“Clubs have been offered contracts for (regional sports networks) and they’ve rejected them. They’re building their own platforms.”

Boras repeated that Bryce Harper remains open to adding to his deal with the Phillies, a \$330 million, 13-year contract


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A pre-bid conference for the Project will be held on **Wednesday, November 20, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.** at the **Council Chambers in Madison City Hall, 101 W Main Street, Madison, IN 47250**. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but not required.

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GOAL

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Shots had been hard to come by for either team with Hanover holding a slight 10-9 advantage while attempts on goal were tied at 7-7. Goalie Ben Howard posted four saves for the Panthers.

Hanover, now 9-5-4 on the season and the highest seed left in the tourney at No. 2, will host No. 4 seed Anderson (8-7-4) in the HCAC Championship game at 1 p.m. on Saturday. Anderson knocked off top-seeded Rose-Hulman (10-5-3) 2-1 on Tuesday in the other semifinal.

WOMEN'S SOCCER FALLS TO MSJ

Hanover women's soccer suffered a 1-0 loss to top-seeded Mount St. Joseph in the HCAC tournament semifinals on Wednesday in Cincinnati. Mary Anhofer scored the only goal of the game for Mount in the 57th minute to send the Lions (11-3-4) into Saturday's championship game.



Hanover's Louan Seveno (22) battles with Transylvania's Jake Renneker during the Panthers' 3-2 win in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference men's soccer tournament semifinals on Tuesday.

Mount held a 16-10 advantage in shots but Hanover led shots on goal, 7-5. Goalie Emma Patterson posted four saves for the Panthers. Hanover ends the season with a 12-6

record. Rose-Hulman (9-7-1) defeated Transylvania (8-6-3) 1-0 in Wednesday's other semifinal when Lauren Marquardt scored in the 47th minute off an assist by Alex Adams.

**VOLLEYBALL FALLS IN FOUR** Hanover volleyball lost a four-set battle to HACAC front-runner Transylvania as the Panthers clinched the conference regular season title Wednesday in Hanover.

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The Panthers lost 25-17, 25-21, 21-25, 25-17 — just the second HCAC team this season to take a set from the Panthers (19-7, 8-0 HCAC) Abbey McCoy had 13 kills and three aces for Hanover, Elliot Mays had 10 kills, Madison Schicker had 17 digs, Megan Vogel had 19 assists and 14 digs, and Maddie Robertson and Molly Schwarzkopf each had a block. Hanover, now 20-6 on the season, closes out the regular season at home in a Senior Day contest with Bluffton on Saturday.

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"But hopefully we can get in our defensive set, which we're working on very heavily right now, and keep them off balance, and try and match physicality with them up front for what we have, and be able to do what we can do." Offensively, Madison has been incredibly balanced this season and even after three turnovers against Scottsburg last week, the Cubs have played largely error-free in the second half of the season. The team is overall healthy with junior running back Joseph Stanley nursing a strained ankle but he is hopeful that he will get to play. The winner of the game will be faced with playing either No. 1 Evansville Memorial (11-0) or No. 2 Heritage Hills (10-1) in the regional, a task nobody envies. But Benintende isn't looking that far ahead. He also wants his team to tune out the hoopla and just get ready to play. "There's a lot of things going on this week that I love and I enjoy, but I'm here to do a job on the football field," Benintende said, "and we need to get these guys ready and keep them focused."

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